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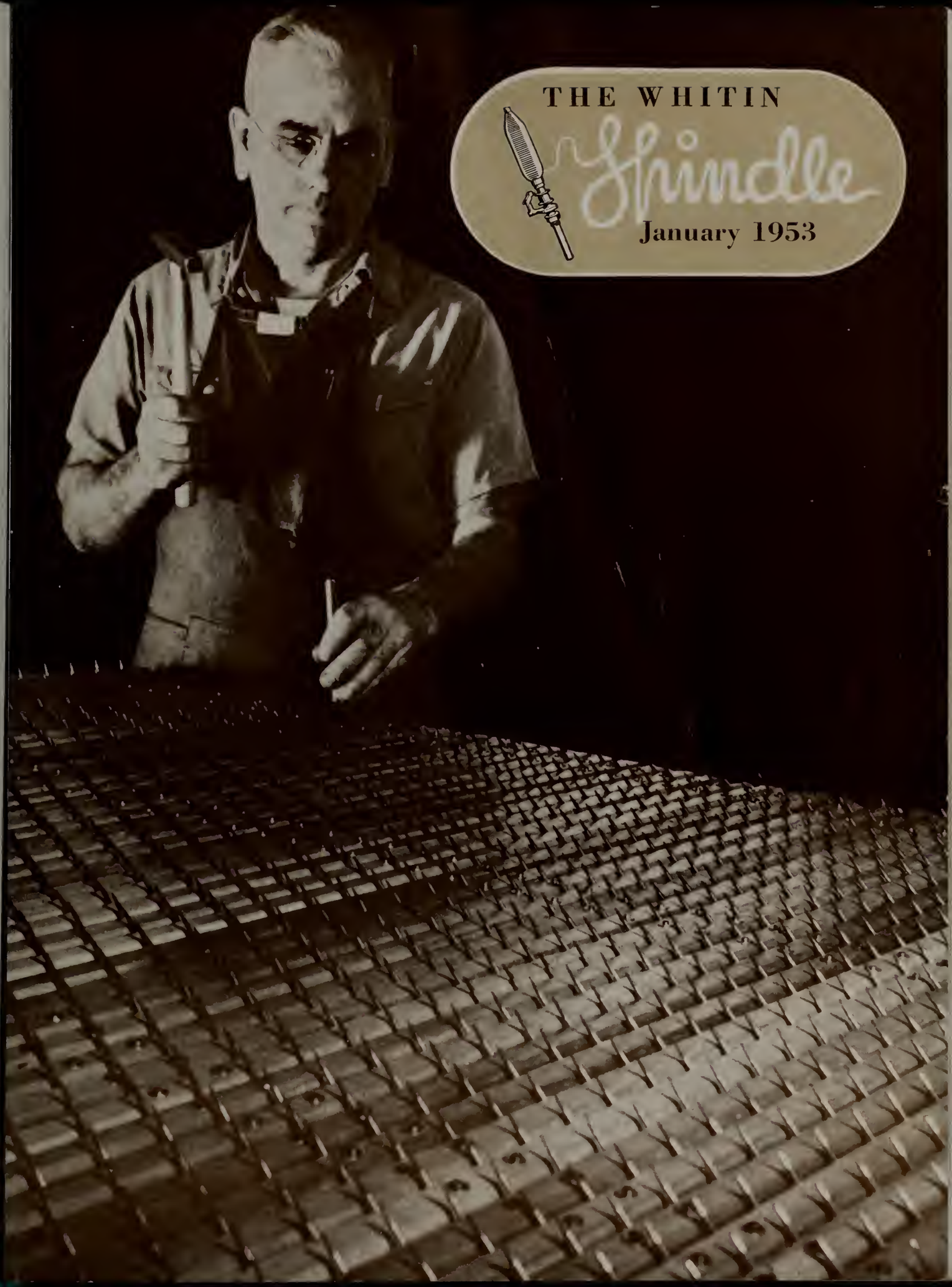

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Familiar Faces

Around the Plant

Jacob Yaungsma, of Department 411, has been with Whitin for 39 years. Gardening is one of his favorite pastimes. He lives in East Douglas

Wilfred Whitney, wood pattern maker, has been at Whitin for 32 years. Golfing and a grandson take up much of his leisure time

Phyllis Maker, of Spinning Small Parts, has been in the Shop for 13 years. She likes to read and is one of the "Spindle" reporters

Isabel Kasparian, of Statements, lives with her mother in Whitinsville. Reading, swimming, and automobile riding are her favorite hobbies

Stephen Kucharski, Department 419, enjoys watching a fast hockey game. He also follows the pennant races and plays a little golf

Leo Maguire, Gear Job, has worked for Whitin 33 years. He lives with his three brothers in Whitinsville and is a football and baseball fan

Henry Pontbriant, Department 421, has 26 years' service at Whitin. He lives in Uptan, has a 14-year-old daughter, and likes cabinetmaking

Let's Tour the Creel Job

TAKE the craftsmanship of trained workmen, blend with fine quality woods, season with the vigor of youth and the experience of age, and the result is the Creel Job, a department that turns out a variety of wooden parts essential to the textile industry.

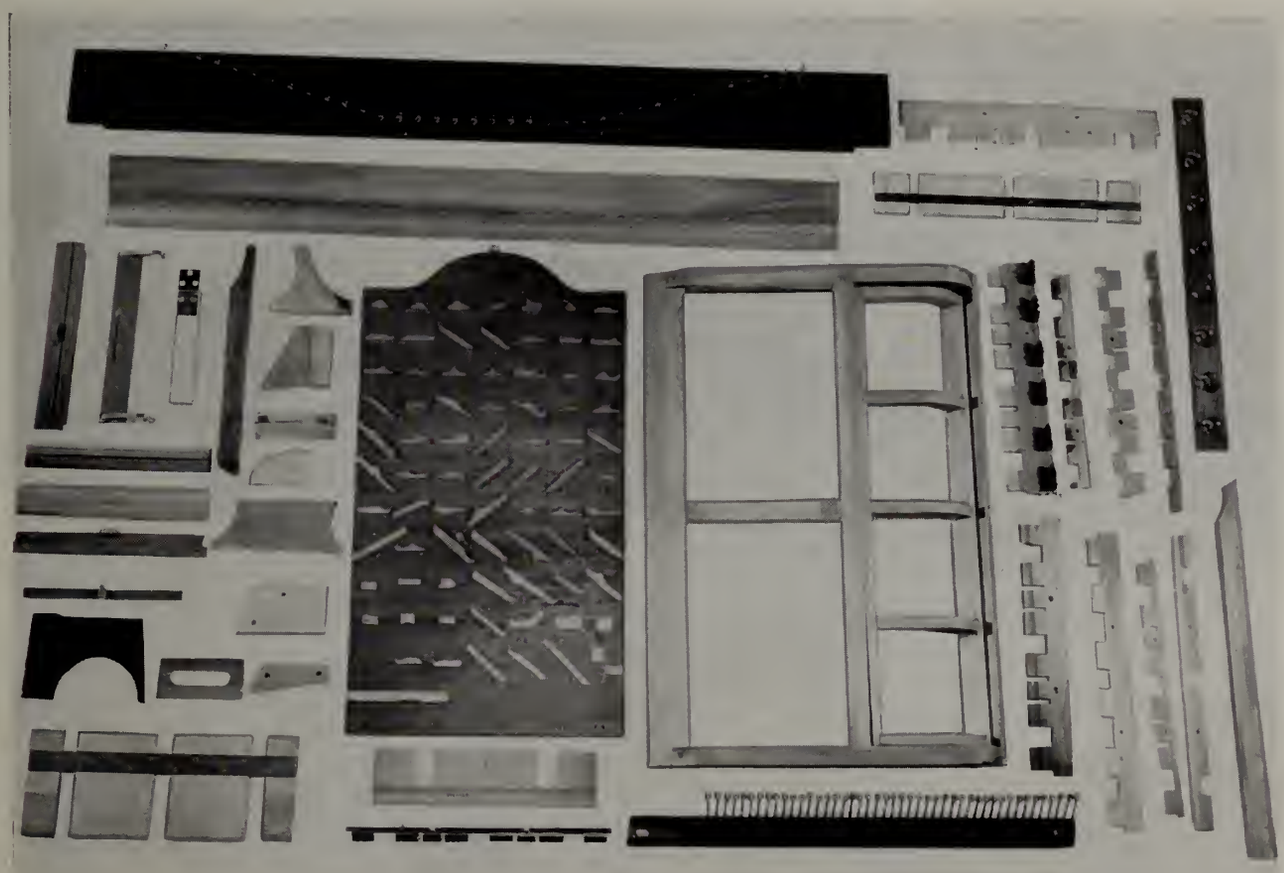
Let's go on a guided tour of Department 441. As we stand at the door of Foreman Kenneth Greenwood's office and look down the length of the floor we see on our extreme left the task which gives the Job its name. You may know that all spinning frames require from one to three boards to hold the packages of roving and that at times creels, warped or broken in the mills, must be replaced. Whether an original installation or a replacement, creel boards of good California pine are cut to length, drilled, edged with ⅛-inch cold-rolled steel, and inspected by the men on this line.

The men in the center of the floor are making stationary clearers of fine cherry, birch, and maple. These devices, made in 80 varied shapes, are used on roving and spinning frames to help solve the constant mill problem of removing the fly or waste from the roving.

Both plain and pin apron slats are cut to length, assembled, and joined into endless belts by the group on the right. These belts, the plain ones of birch, the toothed ones of maple, are made not only for new machines but are also available as replacements.

In the space between the two operations just described sideboards are made by a process similar to that used on the creels. Again a master template is used and the same careful finishing and inspection done.

In conclusion let's look at the work performed in the left rear of the department. That huge assembly is a new quiller cover and those octagonal rolls are being bored for roving frames. Roving top clearers are also assembled in this area. We should mention that the Creel Job works in close harmony with the Miscellaneous Woodworking Department which carries out certain preliminary operations on some of the parts finished here.



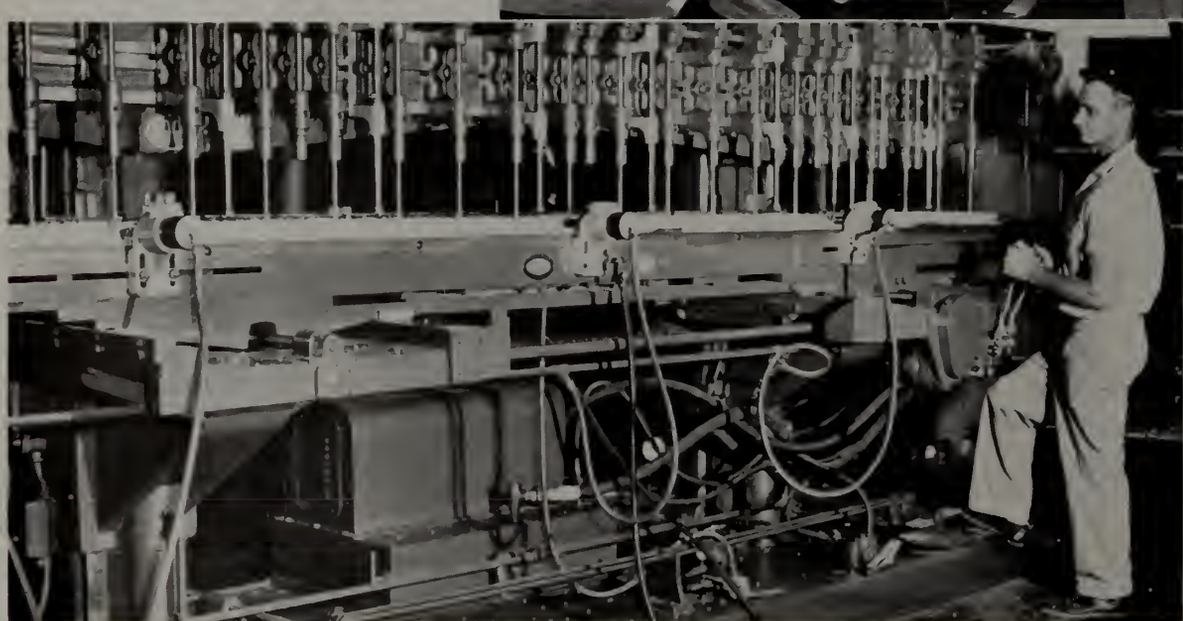
A few of the many different types of wooden parts manufactured by the Creel Job. Shown on the chart in the center of the photograph are 81 different end views of clearers; the remaining parts are used on pickers, combers, roving, etc. The parts shown are resting on two quiller deckboards which are 42 inches wide by 14 feet long

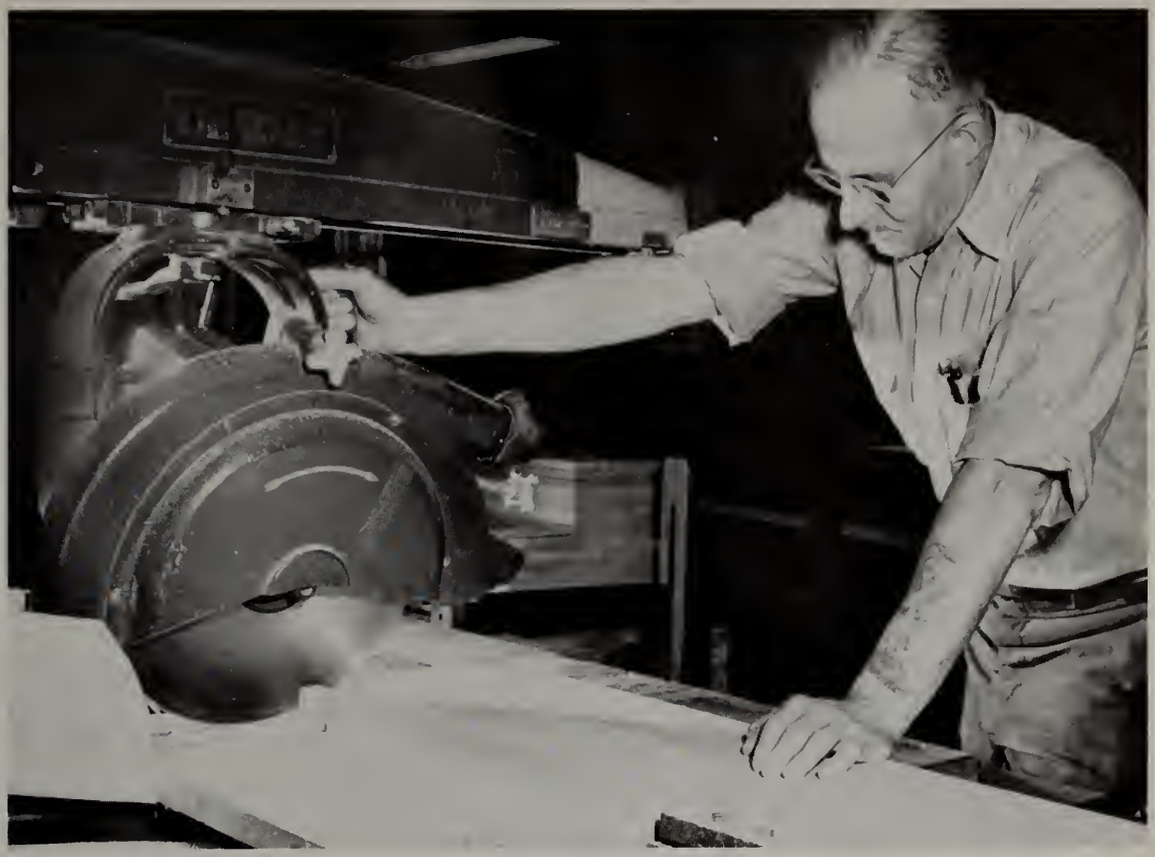
Creel Job *(Continued)*

Left: This automatic machine with a multiple spindle head simultaneously bores a gudgeon hole and four screw holes in the end of a roving back roll. Abraham Twight operates the machine while Foreman Kenneth Greenwood looks on. Ken has 24 years' seniority at Whitin. He was appointed assistant foreman in 1936 and was made foreman in 1951

Right: Carl Brodd, department supervisor, is laying out a master template from which an order of creel boards will be made for spinning frames. Boards vary in width from 10 inches to 15 inches and the length is governed by the number of spindles on the frame. Mill specifications have called for creel boards 40 feet in length

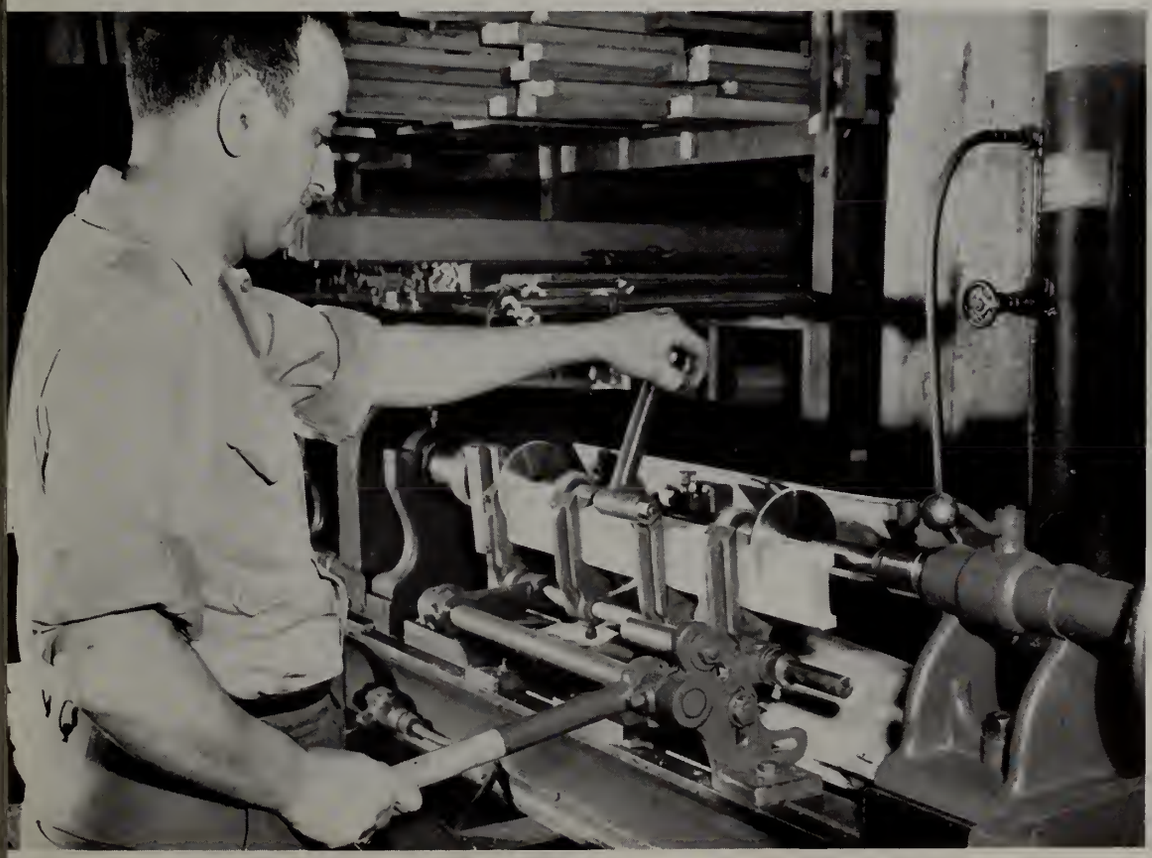
Below: Rosario Picotte uses the multiple boring machine to cut step holes in a spinning creel board. Thirty-one holes can be bored simultaneously in a straight line. This machine was custom built for Whitin and there is only one other like it in existence





William Tyler, using a radial head saw, cuts creel board stock to proper length in the first operation. The stock used is kiln dried California pine

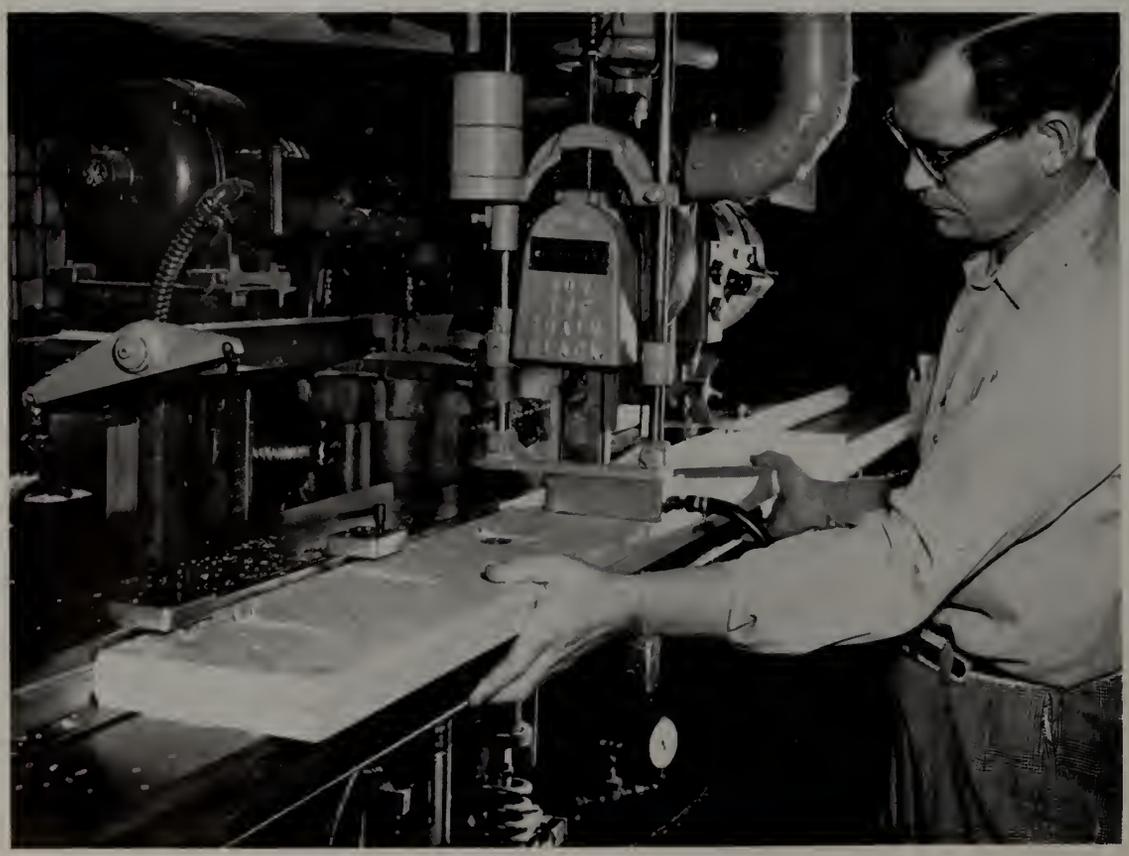
Marcel Pierel is rabbeting slots in a spinning stationary top clearer. This machine cuts two, three, or four slots at one time and also cuts the board to desired length. The hard wood used for clearers is usually cherry, birch, or maple



Above: Pin aprons are made by assembling a series of slats. Here we see Herve Ayotte boring the pin holes in one of the slats. A completed pin apron is shown on the cover

Above: Leo Leduc uses a belt sander to put the finishing touches on a clearer. The clearer is finally inspected and coated with a clear lacquer

Below: Francis Shea is slotting side boards for spinning frames. Location of slots is determined by master template attached to the fixture on the chain mortise saw. The fixture designed by Ken Greenwood eliminates the possibility of error in location of slots which accommodate lever weight hooks



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EXPERIENCE CAN HURT— OR HELP

You can find out that a hot stove burns by touching it.

On the other hand, you *can* learn a lot from experience without doing it the "hard way." In fact, a person who is on the lookout for what he can learn from every new experience avoids a lot of trouble.

From a change in his job, for example, he may pick up new angles on how to do his work more effectively. From the unexpected guests who drop in over the week end, he may get the slant of other people on problems similar to his own. A vacation trip gives him new ideas as well as recreation.

The "school of experience" can be just a school of hard knocks. Or, it can also be a source of new information that helps us meet our everyday problems.

FRONT COVER: Oscar Doble, of the Creel Job, is shown burring rivets on a pin apron which is used on pickers and blending feeders. Pin aprons and plain aprons, manufactured in this department, are used by the mills for opening the stock and conveying it to the machines mentioned above. A story of the activities of the Creel Job starts with page 3.

Whitin Personality

If James Robertson, manager of the Contract Department, were ever to have a sleepless night he would probably count contracts instead of sheep. Jim is the man responsible for processing the specifications of new machines to establish prices, drawing up contracts for domestic sales of new machines, filing the signed contracts, and billing our domestic customers. A quiet and modest man, he handles these tasks with skill and efficiency.

Jim was born and spent his early boyhood in Lonsdale, R. I.; graduated from Central Falls High School, and completed his training as a secretary at Rhode Island Commercial School, now Bryant College, in Providence.

Before joining the Erecting Department of the Whitin Machine Works in 1920, Mr. Robertson was employed for several years by the Brown & Sharpe Manufacturing Company, and briefly by Fales & Jencks Machine Company. He transferred to the Contract Department, in which he worked under Jeremiah J. Foley.

Jim and Mrs. Robertson, the former Alma Matz of Pawtucket, were married in 1922 and now live at 10 Leland Road, Whitinsville. They have two children, Warren J., age 26, and Marilyn S., age 24.

Among the other facts which we should mention are Jim's service in the U. S. Navy in World War I, his membership in Union Number 10, A.F. & A.M., and St. Elmo R.A.C.

Across the Sea to Ireland

Right: This picturesque harbor was once the third most important seaport in Great Britain and Ireland. On the shores of this bay countless heroes of the O'Brien, O'Neill, and Gleeson families lived, loved, and died. Top: In the 18th century Youghal's Clock Gate earned an unenviable reputation because of the inhuman tortures practiced within its grim walls. Here the rack, the thumb-screw, the pitch-cap, and the lime-boot were used, hangings were a popular sport of the soldiers, and floggings were common

WHITIN machines operate in many "faraway places with strange sounding names," but perhaps Youghal, County Cork, Eire, where Clarence Morley recently completed the erection of a large order of Whitin machines in a new cotton mill, is richest in romance and history. Here in the homeland of the leprechauns and the Irish brogue, where in the evening peat fires smolder and men gather in the pubs to drink Guiness, tall tales are told of the Irish heroes of bygone years.

It was in Youghal, present population 5000, that the Countess of Desmond is reported to have died at the age of 147 years following a fall from a cherry tree. From its port Cromwell sailed to meet his death in England, and here Sir Walter Raleigh not only planted Ireland's first potatoes but was soaked while smoking Ireland's first pipe. There are stories of fighting men of all periods from the days of the soldier-monks of the Knights Templar, whose order was suppressed in 1314, to modern times. Naturally there's at least one legend of love; the sad account of beautiful Moll Goggin whose heart broke when she was kissed by the ghost of her drowned lover.

The solemn blessing of the Church was given the mill when it was opened October 8. Among those present are the general manager and directors of Blackwater Cottons Ltd., the Minister of Industry, the Lord Mayor of Cork, and Jeremiah J. Foley

The flag of Eire flies proudly over the modern air-conditioned mill of Blackwater Cottons Ltd. This plant is largely equipped with equally modern Whitin machines

Here, on the scene of Ireland's glorious past, two Whitin erectors recently installed opening and picking, drawing, sliver lap and ribbon lap machines, combers, roving frames, and spinning frames in the modern air-conditioned mill built by Blackwater Cottons Ltd. to manufacture cotton and cotton-rayon goods.

County Cork is but an overnight trip from Boston. With today's magic carpet, the airplane, it is possible to eat supper in Whitinsville and breakfast in Eire. Mr. Morley and Mr. Bass left Boston Airport at 10:15 the

An Irish workman checks Whitin ribbon lap machine. In the background may be seen a Whitin roving frame

evening of April 14 and arrived at Shannon Airport at 9:20 the next morning. An official of Blackwater Cottons Ltd. met them at the field and, after a pause for lunch, drove them the 90 miles to Youghal.

For the next 17 weeks their home was a summer resort, the Hotel Marine. "Our stay there was pleasant," Clarence said, "for we found the Irish friendly, jolly people who were pleased to have Americans there to help them." The food was plentiful, well prepared, and different in flavor from American cooking, with an abundance of roast beef and pork. They also enjoyed the facilities for swimming, fishing, boating, tennis, and golf.

The mill officials praised the efficient manner in which the entire erecting program was carried out. When Jeremiah J. Foley, manager of the Export Sales Department, attended the opening of the mill October 8, an official of the company remarked, "We have never had such competent erectors before." Mr. Foley, who had just flown from New York with Mrs. Foley, received at

This striking photograph shows Whitin drawing frames in operation

that time a sizable order for additional Whitin machines which will be installed in the same mill.

It's not surprising that Clarence enjoyed his stay in Ireland—he always has a pleasant time. In speaking of his work he said, "I like my job because it's not routine. I've made trips to Canada, South America, Holland, and Denmark since I began work for Whitin in 1936. Each mill is different, and I enjoy figuring out what the problem is and then finding the best answer. But after 17 weeks it's good to see my wife and child again."

Clarence, who lives with Mrs. Morley and their five-year-old son, Stephen, at 15 Grove Street, Whitinsville, contributed some of the pictures used to illustrate this article.

The Spinning floor uses 20 Model F2 Whitin spinning frames

It's Good-by to Fly Ash

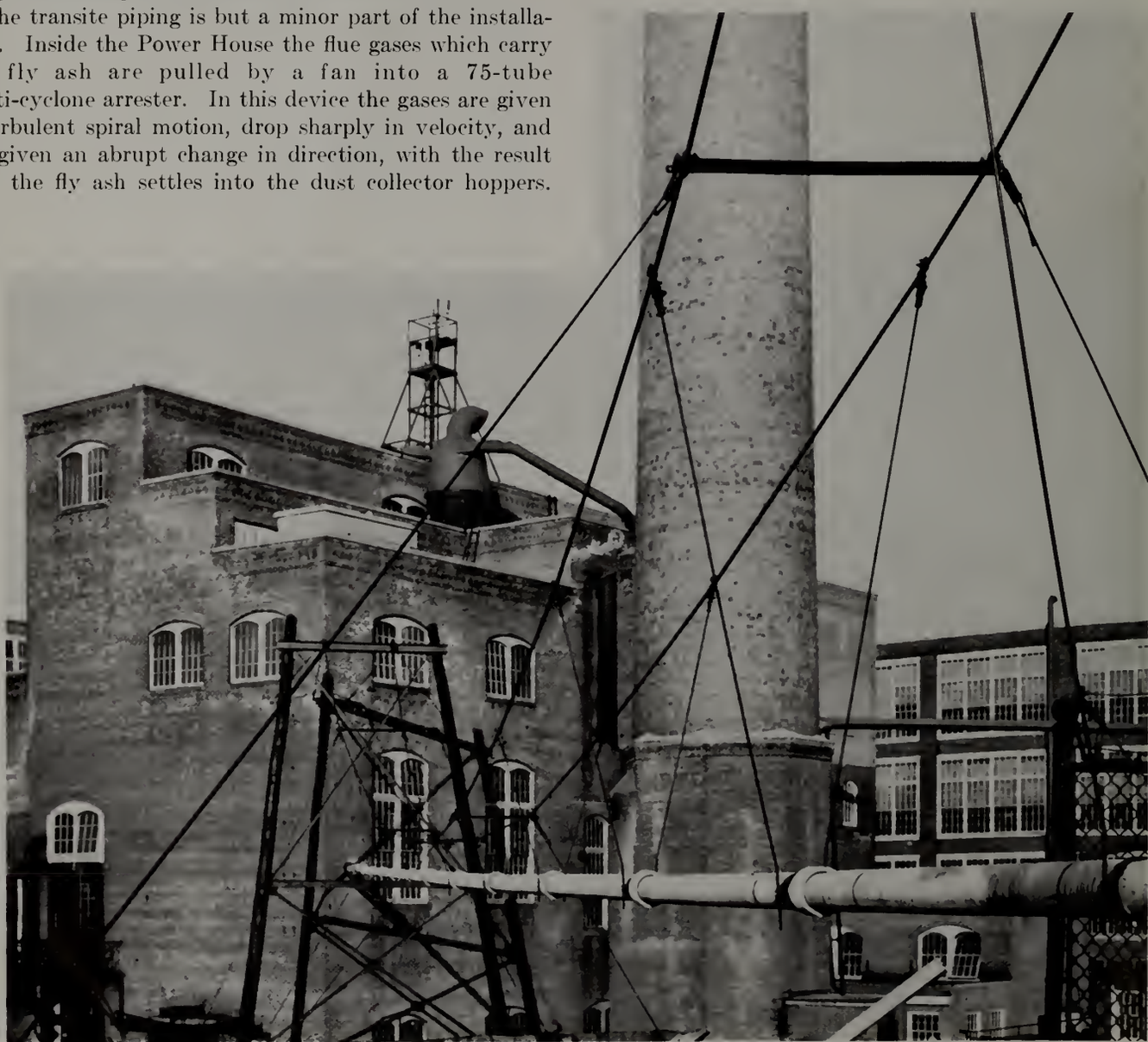
Lady, you can hang that wash out on the line without checking to see if the wind is coming from the direction of our towering smokestack. Afraid of fly ash? Not a chance, for the Whitin Machine Works, as part of its policy of improving working conditions and making Whitinsville an even cleaner place in which to live, is now removing the abrasive particles from the smoke.

Part of the removal system may be seen at the rear of the Power House, where a six-inch transite sluiceway, suspended from inch steel cables, now spans the river, passes beneath the Douglas Road, and discharges into Pickerel Pond. This 500-foot line is laid on a steady pitch to insure the rapid runoff of the waste waters which carry the small particles.

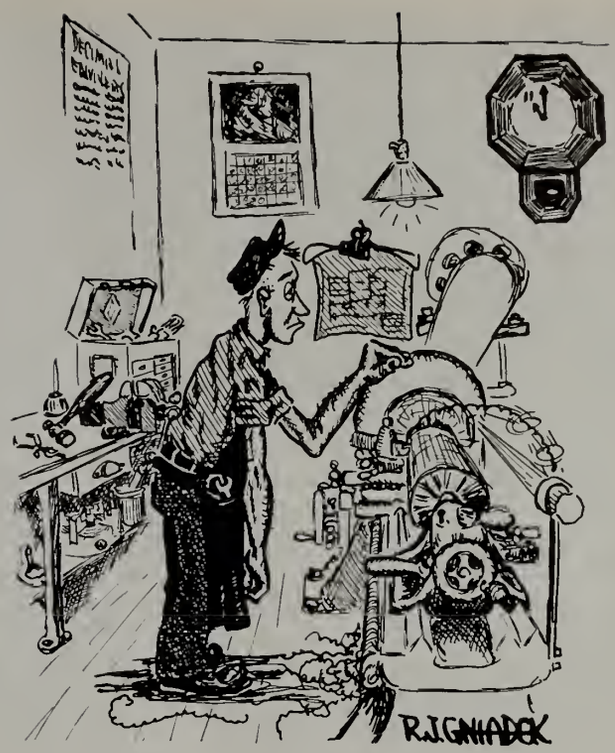
The transite piping is but a minor part of the installation. Inside the Power House the flue gases which carry the fly ash are pulled by a fan into a 75-tube multi-cyclone arrester. In this device the gases are given a turbulent spiral motion, drop sharply in velocity, and are given an abrupt change in direction, with the result that the fly ash settles into the dust collector hoppers. Here a super vacuum cleaner takes over for about fiv minutes out of each hour, for strong suction caused by flow of 350 gallons of water per minute at a pressure c 80 pounds sucks the abrasive particles to a separato The extreme velocities of this action give the abrasiv particles a sandblasting effect which requires the use o special hard alloy piping in the sections of the disposa system in which the fly ash is still dry.

With the installation of this new system it is no longe necessary that men enter the stack itself to wet dow and lift out the larger particles of fly ash which hav settled to the bottom of the chimney. Now one branc of the system is connected to the stack base and a flic of a switch will pull out the material trapped there.

It is estimated that at least 10 years will lapse befor Pickerel Pond is filled in. In the past, Whitin Machine Works has reclaimed a considerable amount of land by filling in with ash from the Power House and refuse from the Foundry.



This photo, taken at rear of power house, shows sluiceway suspended across Mumford River



Rise, Dine, and Shine

ARE you a member of our club, the one that takes two ulps of black coffee and a bite of toast for breakfast? Of course, the idea of that alarm jangling 15 or 20 minutes arlier isn't very appealing, especially when you sit down t the breakfast table when you're not awake anyway. But when the hands of that clock approach 11 on a "no reakfast" morning, that empty feeling starts in the pit f the stomach. Maybe some juice, cereal, fried eggs, ancakes or waffles, and some coffee or cocoa would ave been a good idea at that.

If your spouse doesn't like the thought of preparing a full course breakfast at five or six o'clock, explain to her that a good morning meal would give her the 1037 calories she needs, that she wouldn't get hungry during the morning, and that the starches and carbohydrates would no longer be a temptation to her.

A hearty breakfast eliminates those headaches and that dizzy feeling that accompanies nervousness in the a.m. hours. Also, the man who eats well in the morning is less apt to steam up his neighbor's glasses with hasty remarks.

One of the most important aspects of the whole problem is its relationship to safety. Factory accidents occur most frequently between the hours of 11 and 12 a.m. Many of these accidents can be attributed directly to the physical condition of the employee. Maybe our ancestors weren't so wrong when they included in their breakfast meat, potatoes, pie, cake, and fruit. It's not so revolting at that, when you come right down to it.

Swimming League Is Successful in County

By Harold Case

In an effort to stimulate interest in swimming in Worcester County a league was formed in October for junior and senior boys and girls. The last meet was held in our local pool on December 18 which climaxed a most successful first year.

The girls' league is comprised of six teams which are representing the Leominster Recreation Center, which, by the way, just opened its new pool last spring; the Worcester Aqua-Maids; and the Whitin Community Association. There are eight teams in the boys' league which represent Whitins, Leominster, and the two Worcester Boys' Clubs (Ionic Avenue and Lincoln Square).

The meets were held on a home-and-home basis and everyone connected with the league felt that the addition of many more swimmers was a great accomplishment. Locally, there were 27 girls training daily and if they continue to keep their interest in the sport we should have a powerhouse for the next few years. The senior girls swept about every event and lost but one meet to Worcester and only because we were shorthanded with three of the best swimmers not competing. The junior girls defeated Leominster twice and split with Worcester and placed second in the final championship meet but I feel they had a good season because not one of the dozen or so girls had ever competed previously. Some pretty fair swimmers turned up in the junior division and I hope that they will get further experience in the championship meets which will be held throughout the winter.

The junior boys came out about 15 strong and had a fine season considering that for many years I never could get boys to compete. This team defeated Leominster twice, lost one meet and tied another with Ionic Avenue Boys' Club, and dropped two to Lincoln Square. These last two defeats were expected as Lincoln Square has pushed boys' competitive swimming for 34 years. The senior boys didn't fare too well but at least some of the older boys became interested in racing and with this start next year should see a rise in their fortunes.

Following the dual meet season all the swimmers were awarded emblems and at the completion of the New England and Open Championship meets all swimmers competing in these meets will be awarded the big blue and gold Whitin "W." I might add that there will be two such meets here, the first on January 10, and the second on February 28.

Junior and senior boys practicing relay races at the Community Gym. Michael Case, Francis Merolli, Robert Basiliere and Peter Opperwall are shown starting their teams off

Hobby—

Lambs, Rams, *and* Ewes

Peter Prendergast examines a lamb, the pet of his year-old daughter Louise, while his father Joseph Prendergast stands by. The black-faced sheep in the left rear is their purebred Suffolk ram. Sheep shown above are almost ready for shearing

"Sheep have distinct personalities, but they can be the most 'ornery' creatures on earth. People who work with them learn to be quiet and gentle for scared sheep have no sense. Still I feel that there is a place for sheep on every small farm. I've raised sheep for five or six years now, made money up until this year, and I think it's an interesting hobby."

With these words, Joe Prendergast summed up his description of the leisure-time activity he shares with his son Peter. The two men, both Whitin employees, have a flock of 33 grade or unregistered sheep on a tightly fenced old farm in Douglas. These animals, a mixture of Suffolk, Shropshire, and Cheviot stock, are a source of both profit and pleasure.

According to Joe in a good year the sale of the wool will pay expenses and whatever is brought in by the sale of lambs is profit. Last year the eight- to nine-pound fleeces were selling at $1.10 a pound while a three-months-old lamb brought from $20 to $30. This year the price of wool has dropped sharply to as low as 30 cents a pound. Joe feels that this drop is partly due to a government subsidy on synthetic wool.

There is no difficulty in marketing wool, lambs, or surplus stock. These commodities are bought and sold at auctions run by cooperative associations such as the Worcester County Sheep Association and the New England Wool Growers and Sheep Association. Hay, grain, and other supplies may also be purchased through these cooperatives.

Should you be interested in raising your own lamb chops Joe lists as the first requirement a pasture. The woolly creatures are terrific grazers and unless you rotate them from pasture to pasture they will pull the grass up by the roots. You should have at least an acre of land for every three sheep, a plentiful supply of pure water, and some kind of shelter such as a shed or old barn. Because dogs are the natural enemies of sheep, a stout dogproof five-foot fence is essential. The project will not call for much time, for Joe reports that a half hour a day to feed and water them is enough except at lambing time. Besides grass they eat hay and grain.

At lambing time it is good practice to pen up the expectant mother for a few days, for if her lamb is disturbed the ewe may disown her young. While it is possible to bottle-raise a lamb it is not profitable. The last $20 lamb Joe reared in this fashion was not only endless trouble but gulped down $40 worth of Carnation milk. Joe has no desire to repeat the experience.

Shearing is done once a year in May or June when the weather is warm and mild. The king-size haircuts are given by Leslie Nutting, also a Whitin employee, who shears most of the sheep in this area at a price of a dollar a head.

"Yes, we're going to stay in sheep-raising," said Joe. "Once you get your fences up it's pleasant work. We're breeding up the quality of our flock with a purebred Suffolk ram because they are a hardy, rugged, quiet breed good for both wool and mutton. A flock of about 35 grade Suffolks is right for us."

Joe, who has been with Whitin ten years, is foreman of the garage. His partner, 23-year-old Peter, works in the supply room.

Taxpayers shouldn't accept the easy suggestion that there is little difference between a million and a billion. There is exactly the same relation as between $1,000 and $1,000,000.

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Politics is inherently clean. It becomes dirty only when it is neglected by the supposedly good element among the citizens.—Good Business.

It was springtime in England, and the Brooklynite visiting a London park was overwhelmed by the number of sparrows milling about the lawns. He tapped lightly on the shoulder of the Englishman standing next to him.

"Hey, Mac, didja ever see so many boids!"

"My good man," said the Englishman, with a reproachful look, "those are not 'boids,' they're BIRDS."

The Brooklynite scratched his head thoughtfully. "Dat's funny," he mumbled, "dey choips just like boids."

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"Suppose, Jimmy, that another boy should strike your right cheek—what would you do?"

"Give him the other cheek to strike."

"That's right."

"Yessum—and then if he struck me I'd lay him out cold!"

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In church for the first time, the little boy watched wide-eyed as the choir, all in white surplices, filed in.

With wonder in his voice, he whispered hoarsely, "Are all those people going to get their hair cut?"

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Child specialist, to the mother of a small boy: "You'll have to handle this child carefully, remembering always that you're dealing with a sensitive, high-strung, rascally little stinker."

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"John, you're the most undiplomatic person I've ever seen."

"What have I done now, dear?"

"You asked Mrs. Smith how her husband was standing the heat."

"Well, what's wrong about that?"

"Nothing, only he's been dead for two years."

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Customer: "Remember the Swiss cheese you sold me yesterday?"

Grocer: "Yes. Why?"

Customer: "Did I understand you to say it was imported or deported?"

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Jimmy proudly announced to his teacher, "We've got a new baby and it cost $150."

"Goodness. Isn't that a lot of money for a tiny baby?"

"Yes, but think how long they last."

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A man, looking at some ties, tossed one or two aside contemptuously. Lingering after having made his purchase, he noticed that the clerk put those he had so positively rejected in a separate box. "What becomes of those?" he inquired.

"We sell them to the women who come in to buy ties for men."

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A party of explorers making their way through darkest Africa came upon a group of cannibals about to feast on their late enemy. The cannibal chief came forward to greet the explorers in perfect English. When they showed surprise at his command of the language, he explained that he had been educated at Yale.

"What!" exclaimed the explorers. "You've been to Yale, and yet you return to feed on human flesh. It's almost unbelievable."

"Well," replied the chief modestly, "now I use a knife and fork."

Left: Clifford Kelley leads the young guests and their fathers in the singing of Christmas carols. Gerrit Ebbeling accompanied at the piano

Below: Sons and daughters of the foremen wait patiently for the Christmas party to begin. Some of the fathers are shown in the background

Santa Visits Foreman's Club Party

Approximately 110 excited youngsters were present to greet Santa Claus when he made his appearance at the Whitco Foreman's Club annual children's Christmas party at the Whitin Cafeteria, Wednesday evening, December 10.

At 7 o'clock, Harold Baszner, president of the Club, welcomed the young guests and invited them to join with their fathers in singing Christmas carols.

This young fellow, wearing the magic fez, proves he too can make the eggs disappear

Below: A children's Christmas party wouldn't be complete without Santa Claus. Here we see the youngsters in line receiving their presents

At the conclusion of the singing, Richard Gravel, well-known magician from Worcester, presented a program of magic especially prepared for the children. His disappearing eggs and rabbits and other mystifying feats held the young spectators in rapt attention for more than an hour.

During a brief interlude in the program, ice cream and cookies were served. A movie was then shown starring Bert Larr in a root'n, toot'n comedy. The highlight of the evening was the appearance of Santa Claus (Alan Blizard) who presented books and puppets to the children from three to seven years of age and wallets to their older brothers and sisters from ages eight to 12.

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

MILLING DEPARTMENT

by Marie Ebbeling

Simone Roy, our Personality for the Month, is a young lady well liked by everyone. She was born below Quebec City and attended various schools in Quebec. She recently bought one of the Shop tenements on Fletcher Street and has since greatly improved the property. Simone has worked on the Milling Job for 12 years, attends St. Patrick's Church faithfully, and belongs to the Progressive Club of North Uxbridge. At her recent birthday party she was presented with various gifts of wearing apparel.

Pfc. Joseph Dawe, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Dawe, has been stationed in Korea since arriving in Seoul on Thanksgiving Day, 1951. He is a graduate of Northbridge High School and Worcester Boys Trade School. He completed his training as a wood pattern maker and before going in the Service he was employed at Norton Company. . . . Three people in the department are sporting new cars: Rose Gigarjian has a blue '51 Plymouth and Grace Griffin and Thomas Kiczak have brand new green Chevrolets. We wish you all happy motoring. . . . Ernest Sansouci is building a new home off Providence Road. Never a dull moment in his life. We all wish you and your family many happy years in your new home. . . . We are very happy to report that Aime Aussant's mother is coming along very well. She fell and broke her hip and is at St. Vincent's Hospital. . . . Birthday wishes for this month to: William Ratcliffe, Alpherie Boileau, Gerard St. Germain, Nicholas Colonero, Narcisse Cournoyer, Herant Sarkisian, George Des Barres, Rose Gigarjian, Alfred Guilbault, William Hugley, Richard Marshall, Joseph Popek, Emile Laquerre, Edward Bell, Celia Donaldson, Mary St. George, and Jennie Baker.

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREWS

by Bill Scanlon

Harold Buxton spent a week in December patrolling the Sutton Deer Park. Harold is from Douglas and fishing and hunting are his hobbies. He is assistant to Charlie Commons in the Maintenance Department. . . . Gordon Milkman has been appointed to the Whitinsville Fire Department in the capacity of assistant driver of the hook and ladder. Gordon is a dispatcher in the Whitin Garage. . . . Jack Collins, truck driver's helper, has been called to duty and is now at Camp Devens. . . . Quite a number of the fellows have received Christmas cards from Tunny Oliver who is at present in Inglewood, Calif. . . . Archie Ashton sold the last of his horses and has given up plowing now that the job is done with a tractor. . . . Archie Bolivar was visited by his nephew from Nova Scotia. His nephew, Delwyn Conrad, brought down a load of Christmas trees which he sold while here, thus mixing business with pleasure.

LINWOOD DIVISION DEPARTMENT 451

by Louise Sohigian

Adeline Montgomery received her 20-year pin from Mr. Cunningham. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Axel Peterson who celebrated their 29th wedding anniversary on December 15. . . . We are happy to hear that Raymond Blanchard has joined the Camera Club. He is deeply interested in photography and is making great progress. . . . On Wednesday, December 24, a Christmas party was held on the job at noontime. I'm sure that everyone will agree that a swell time was had by all. . . . Hannah Frieswyk is sporting a brand new Chevrolet. . . . A birthday was celebrated this month by Louise Mousseau.

CARD SMALL PARTS AND CYLINDERS

by Millie Turgeon

Let's introduce the new members of our department. First came Philip O'Grady who was a radial drill operator in Department 424 before coming to us. He lives in Whitinsville, and his favorite pastimes are swimming and golf. In the colder weather he enjoys the pool in our Gym. Next summer he says he'd like to challenge Harold Leoncini, of Department 424, to a golf match.

Carl Larson was the next new man. He worked on the Box Job prior to coming here, and before that worked in Department 425 polishing chrome wheels. He enjoys hunting and fishing, but his real hobby is raising bees. Carl now has 18 beehives.

Fred Thompson used to work at Draper's, operating a wood drill, and out in the yard until he was laid off when things got slack. He served in the British Royal Navy for seven years. Fred's hobby is making models of old-fashioned ships, especially the four-masted type. Several of those he has completed are at his home and he has a few at his summer home in Scituate.

Syd Daubney has come back to us, after transfers to and from the night shift of the Tool Job. It's nice to see him back. He's the fellow who is interested in and does a lot of driving in stock-car races. . . . Department 419 wishes to welcome William White, a new man to their department. He worked on the Ring Job before being laid off, and was recently called back to work in 419.

We are sorry to have folks out sick around Christmastime, but we hope that John Bogie, Sr. and Ralph Peckham are back in the pink of condition long before they read this in the SPINDLE. . . . Jack Fitzgerald retired on November 28 and was presented a purse by our foreman Tom Stevenson in behalf of the gang. Mr. John Cunningham and Mr. James Rankine were with us for the presentation. At the same time, Mr. Rankine presented Leo Roberts with a ten-year service pin. . . . Birthday greetings are sent to Henry Beaudoin and Glen Leveille, who both celebrate birthdays on January 21, and to Tommy Stevenson who celebrates on the 30th.

John Fitzgerald received a purse from his associates of Department 422 when he retired on November 28. John has been with Whitin since June 1913. Foreman Thomas Stevenson made the presentation

Do you remember this Whitinsville Soccer Team? They were the Worcester County soccer champions from 1912 to 1915. Front row, from the left: Bobby Whan, Jack Eccleston, Harry Cowburn, Bill Rollins, Johnny Magill, Frank Lightbown, and Bill Jenkins. Back row, from the left: Tom Colthart, Bob Smith, George Ferney, Dave Blakely, Bob Holiday, Alec Martin, Bob Wilson, Otto Kracht, Johnny Orr, and Joe Allander

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

Walter Fierley, one of the Bolster Job's many huntsmen, planned on going hunting Thanksgiving Day. He got up early that morning but found that his neighbor had borrowed his dog. Both Walter Fierley and Walter Lemeshevsky had a good day, though, and they bagged a few partridges and rabbits. Leo Bouley received a rabbit from Walt Fierley. Leo claims he has eaten more rabbit for a non-huntsman than anybody around. . . . Bill Vandersloot has returned after serving on jury duty. . . . Jake Frankian has been elected president of the Belmont Social Club of Worcester, an organization that has done much for the children of the neighborhood. . . . A hurry-back to Dave Bruncle who is in the hospital.

Bob Cochrane is chairman of a committee for a Cub Scout troop in Pascoag, R. I. Bob says there are many children who want to join but can't because of the lack of help from the women. If anybody living in Pascoag can help Bob so that he can get all these boys in the troop it would be greatly appreciated. . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Gjeltma have returned from their vacation in Holland. Having asked John a few things about conditions in Holland I find that the people over there get taxed on things that Mr. Henry Long hasn't thought about yet. To cite two examples: A monthly tax on any radio owned and a tax on all old-age pensions. John says the laws are also very strict. His niece was fined $5 for picking a flower in the park. He also stated the people get 80 per cent of their pay when out sick, laid off, or on strike. Medical attention is all free. All in all, John had a wonderful time, but said that he was glad to get back home.

Gary P. Trottier, who is being shipped to the Pacific zone, enjoyed an eight-day furlough at home. He and his father, Aime J. Trottier, bagged an eight-point 200-pound buck while hunting in New Hampshire.

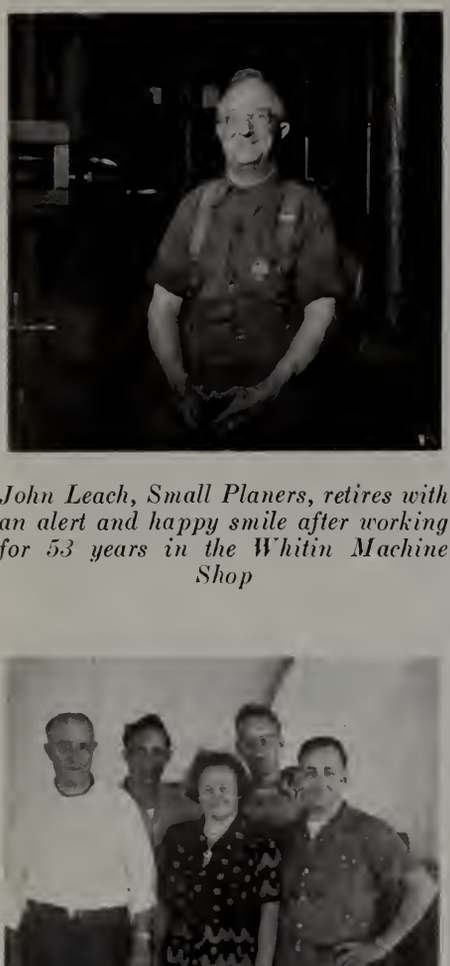
Cpl. Willard E. Tinkham, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard E. Tinkham of Harmony, R. I., gave his parents a surprise the other day by showing up in a picture of a Marine patrol in Korea. The photograph appeared in the Providence Evening Bulletin. *Willard worked on the Gear Job*

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

The Tool Job Sick Benefit Club held their annual meeting in the Fire Station in December. All officers were retained for another year. It was decided that the annual banquet would be held some time after the New Year with the entertainment provided by Tool Job talent. . . . The new Tool Crib attendant is William "Buster" Perry. Buster was transferred from the Milling Job and lives in Pascoag. He is replacing George Blair, who has gone to the Spindle Job. . . . The two new lathe hands are Anthony Zukowski and Aram Chasse. They both were transferred from Department 429. . . . We welcome Mrs. Alice Emery into our department as the new timekeeper. We also wish Nancy Todd good luck in the Payroll Department.

We congratulate Joe Bouley on his new appointment to the Methods Department. Joe served his apprenticeship in the Whitin Machine Works and has been a good jig and fixture man for many years. The men who have worked with Joe know that he will be missed on the Tool Job and feel that he will be a big asset to Mr. Brouwer. . . . Julius Vierstra hired a contractor to take down an elm tree in front of his house. They took the tree down but it fell across the electric and telephone wires. . . . Early one morning Joe Bartlett, Jr. was told by Foreman Ralph Baker that he wanted to see him in his office at 11:30. After worrying all morning, Joe reported to the office where Mr. Rankine presented him with his ten-year service pin.



John Leach, Small Planers, retires with an alert and happy smile after working for 53 years in the Whitin Machine Shop

Mr. and Mrs. John Gjeltema say good-by to their sons, Bert, Harold, and Ray before sailing for Holland on board the "New Amsterdam." John works on the Bolster Job

Lt. John Kizarian has arrived home from Korea where he distinguished himself on the battlefield. He holds twelve decorations including campaign ribbons and is the proud owner of a field commission. He is the son of Serop Kizarian of Department 460

At this writing, Russell (Pint) Varieur has made reservations to fly to California in January. He plans to make his home there. Russell has worked in the Shop for 16 years, the last eight on the Tool Job. . . . There is some class to Herman Youngsma—he bought a 1950 Chevrolet just to travel to work and back.

METAL PATTERN JOB

by William Prior

Harry Kearnan, known by his friends as "Bunky," recently received his service pin for completing 40 years' employment in this department. Since he began work here in 1912, Harry has served in many capacities, and at present is a maintenance man. His family of three daughters and a son is now grown up. Harry makes his home in Fisherville. "Bunky" is a famed sports enthusiast. Years ago he played in the fast Blackstone Valley League, in other minor leagues, and at one time tried out with the Boston Red Sox.

John Kennedy recently bought a new Chevrolet. Is it for the honeymoon, John? . . . Harold Warren, after much dickering, hired Joe Prior and Louis Stimpson to build his workshop. No one has been able to decide as yet who got the best of the bargain.

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

Helen Laythe has returned to Department 412. . . . Maud Heerdt's son Donald is home on furlough. He has been transferred from Texas to California. While in Texas he and Jim Buckley were both at Sheppard Air Force Base. . . . Ray Dumais left for the Army in December. Before he left he became engaged to Marjorie Trask of this town. . . . Two marines, Dick Braman and Harry Magowan, were in to visit us recently. Both formerly worked on Department 429. . . . Another visitor was Don Corbielle who is stationed at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland.

Congratulations to Blanche Houghton, Mrs. Froulx, and Beatrice Winchell who recently received their 10-year pins. . . . Ed Baker was greatly surprised when he received a telephone call from his son at Wheaton College wishing him a happy 53rd birthday. . . . Remie Roy spent a few days visiting in Maine. . . . The Herb Ericksons celebrated their 41st anniversary at Ken's Steak House in Framingham. . . . Frank Thurber retired recently after 30 years of employment here. . . . A speedy recovery is wished John Campbell who is in the Whitinsville Hospital. . . . We welcome back Carl Wood and Franny Forsythe who have been out on sick leave. A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

SHEET METAL, PAINT AND CREEL JOBS

by Harold Ingham

Vincent G. Carballo, who was employed on the Paint Job as a checker, has left to accept a position as a social studies teacher at Northbridge High School. Vincent, a

The many pictures of uniformed men remind Frank Tingley, Department 410, of the days of World War II when he wore this suit

Cpl. Norman Spratt, formerly employed here, received his discharge December 11 after two years' service with the Airborne Corps. His father, Norman Spratt, is assistant foreman of the Chuck Job

veteran of World War II, trained at Lowell Commercial College and Clark University.

SPINNING FLOOR, CARD ERECTING AND POLISHING JOB

by Francis Horan

Henry Ebbeling, a retired inspector, was in to see us before he left on an extended trip through California, Washington and Oregon to visit friends and relatives. He sailed from

New York December 10 on the *President Buchanan* and traveled by way of the Panama Canal to Los Angeles, a trip of 5000 miles. . . . Frank Convent, Polishing Job, must have a reciprocal trade agreement with "Gummy." He can get a cigar from "Gummy" anytime—a stunt that others are unable to do.

Here is one you can have a lot of fun with. Take your age, multiply it by two, add five, multiply by 50, subtract 365, add the amount of loose change in your pocket (under a dollar) and add 115. The first two figures of your answer should be your age, and the last two the amount of change in your pocket. If not, check your figures.

We hope that Armand St. Andre will soon return from the Whitinsville Hospital, where he is a patient. . . . Red DeJong is sporting a new Ford. . . . Harriet VanDyke, a former co-worker in Kaizer's division, is now the proud mother of a baby boy. . . . Henry Rasco, 448A, was observed checking ladies' apparel in a Woonsocket store window. . . . Albert Boyer, 448B, has returned from the hospital after undergoing a major operation. He recovered quickly and seems to be his old self again at work. . . . I suggest that the Northbridge police should leave a master key at the plant for Mike Feen and others who get entangled in handcuffs. It would save emergency calls to Chief Cullen.

Howard Heald received his 20-year pin from Shop officials in December. He actually worked here longer, but left after originally starting in 1914 and leaving a few years later to work in Cambridge. He returned to work on the Spinning set-up floor in 1932 and has worked there since. He and Mrs. Heald own a home which they purchased in 1926 in Upton. Bowling, baseball and working around his house are his hobbies. Asked if he had anything in particular to say about this work, Howard said, "I believe there is dignity in every job a man does, no matter how small or large the job is."

Roy Krumbholtz also received his ten-year pin. Roy came to visit Milford one week end and stayed. He obtained employment here in 1942. He and Mrs. Krumbholtz, also a Whitin employee, make their home in Milford. Roy is the union grievance man on the Job. A good drill hand, he broke in on the old Turbine Job under Bob Wilson. He did steeplejack work in New York, painting bridges and flagpoles, before he came here.

Dennis Cournoyer, another recipient of a ten-year pin, came to work in the Shop from Rockdale Mills where he was an assistant foreman on spinning and twisters. His first job here was driving an electric truck, but he now is a drill hand on 433. He lives with Mrs. Cournoyer and their family on Brook Street, Whitinsville. He enjoys all sports and his objective now is to be able to obtain an outside antenna for his television set. (Seems as though the landlord won't allow them.)

Know Your Reporters

THOMAS WALLACE, expediter and reporter in the Production Department, came to Whitin shortly after graduating from Northbridge High School in 1933. Until World War II he worked on the Milling Job, Roll Job, and the Metal Pattern Shop. After serving two years in the Army Infantry and in Ordnance, he came back to Whitin and was employed in the Production Department. "Tad" and Mrs. Wallace live in East Douglas and are parents of two girls, Ellen, 12, and Janet, nine. "Tad" is well remembered as a basketball player for the high school and the Whitin gym team and is interested in many different sports. In addition, he is president of the Whitin Male Glee Club and is affiliated with Carter Post, American Legion, East Douglas, and Joseph Michna Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

CHARLES DEVLIN, expediter and reporter for the Production Department, was born in Whitinsville, but now lives in East Douglas with Mrs. Devlin and their two children, Brian, seven years of age, and Christine, seven months old. Except for a two-year period in the Coast Guard in World War II, "Dorsey" has worked for Whitin continuously since 1927. The various departments in which he has worked include the Milling Job, Tool Job, Winder Job, and the Production Office. In outside activities, he has held offices in the East Douglas and Worcester County American Legion organizations. Community projects also claim much of his time. He has been chairman of both the "Jimmy" Cancer Drive and Heart Fund in East Douglas, and he also heads the East Douglas Little League.

Richard Lemay, Department 411, is now stationed at Bergstrom Air Force Base, Austin, Texas

Sidney C. Visbeck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sikke Visbeck, is now stationed at Memphis, Tenn.

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

Personality of the Month: William Harris was born in Lancashire, England on February 20, 1900, attended Abraham Lincoln School in New Bedford and married the former Dora Lancourt in 1931. They have three children—a son, Merrill, and two daughters, Betty and Claire, and four grandchildren. Bill served with the Canadian Army in France in 1917 and 1918. He has been employed at Whitin's since 1922 and has worked in Department 469 as well as the Foundry.

Congratulations to Dave Greeno, who was recently elected commander of the John Mateychuck American Legion Post No. 390 in Manchaug. He held the office of junior vice-commander in 1951. Dave served in the Army four years and has seen duty in Europe and the Pacific. Dave is married to the former Barbara Bruno. They have three daughters, Sharon, Patricia and Elizabeth. They own their own home on Maple Street, Manchaug.

Congratulations are in order to Mr. and Mrs. Albert DeJong on their 25th wedding anniversary. Al, who is a molder on the squeezer unit and has been employed in the Foundry for 30 years, was married in 1927 to Tillie Miedema. They have eight children, four sons and four daughters. A son, Donald, is now serving in the U. S. Army and is stationed in Europe. All their children and grandchildren and many friends were present at the 25th anniversary reception tendered them at their home on Goldthwaite Road, Whitinsville. We wish them the best of health and happiness in the years ahead.

Matthew Cresia, son of Nick Cresia, molder, had quite an experience during the recent deer hunting season. Nick, Matthew, and a few others went hunting in Petersham on the opening day of the hunting season. Both Nick and his son were sporting bright new 20 gauge bolt-action shotguns and naturally were anxious to line something in their sights—preferably a deer. Around nine o'clock in the morning, Matthew did line up a deer in his sight, pulled the trigger—the gun blew up! The barrel of the shotgun blossomed out. We are happy to state that Matt did not get hurt, but we are sorry to say he did not get the deer.

RING JOB

by Robert Balcome

Personality: Louis Roy, our floor inspector, who is well liked by all who know him (including turners) has been with Whitin since 1933. He was born in Quebec, Canada, and came to the United States in 1929. He was employed in the Waucantuck Mills in Uxbridge before coming to Whitin. He is married and has two sons, Donald and Norman, the latter an accomplished accordion player. Louis has a hobby common to most of us nowadays, watching television with his young son in his lap. Louis says "no picture," someone might recognize him.

A man of many ideas, some good, is "Tut" Morin, who now is going to electrify his player piano. We guess the window displays on which he worked each Christmas season have been passed by this year on account of the little daughter, who naturally takes up a lot of his time. . . . The bowling league got off to a late start in November, and will bowl for 21 weeks. The following teams were organized—Yankees: Kay Ebbeling, captain; Al Turgeon, Bernie Howard, Harold Leoncini, and Johnny Spencer. Red Sox: Walter Lawton, captain; Sam Magill, Al Blanchette, Rocky Merolli, and Arnold Patella. White Sox: Joe Witek, captain: Ben Mczynski, Leo Joanis, Florus Ebbeling, and Barry Judson. Indians: Ernie Tremblay, captain; Emile Handfield, Gene McClure, Jack Sullivan, and Bob Ebbeling. . . . Sorry to see Bill Goss and Roland Lafontaine transfer to the Gear Job. Good luck, fellows. . . . Welcome back to Jim Gusney after a very long absence. . . . Joe Witek and Titus Ebbeling are doing their bit in keeping down the high cost of living by eating all the game brought down in the hunting season. They hope they don't starve to death. . . . Our Christmas tree positively wasn't beautiful, but it was certainly different. It was one foot high, decorated with yarn, and paper cutouts, and one one-watt light. A lot of paper stockings were hung up, too.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

Members of the Freight House enjoyed a fine Christmas party at the Colonial Club in Webster. It was an evening of fine food, good music, and dancing. It was declared one of the best parties we have had for a long time. . . . We are glad to report that Archie Langelier is back safe and sound from Korea. Welcome home, Archie. . . . "Rab" Bisson has reported back to work after his second term in the Navy. He's the same old "Rab." . . . We wish at this time to say hello to our friends, Joseph White, Patrick Duggan, and Levi Rascoe, who have been ill.

The summer weather which we have been enjoying here in Massachusetts left us minus the Christmas spirit so we were late with our decorations. Thoughts of ski trips and such are far from all minds—yet in the surrounding country there is plenty of snow. . . . A trip to North Conway is in the making for January, and it is hoped a large number will respond. . . . John Wausik and family spent Thanksgiving in Dover, N. H. . . . Phyliss Lemoine took a trip to Washington, D.C., and as usual this reporter was in Maine for Thanksgiving.

BOLT AND PLANER JOBS

by Melvin Henry

The Blackstone Valley Chapter Number 26 of Massachusetts Widows of World War I elected its first slate of officers at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Florianne Cameron. Among the new officers installed by Mrs. Florence Fitzgerald, State Department President, was Mrs. Cameron who has the honor of being the first president of the new organization. At a recent meeting it was voted to keep the charter open until December 31, 1952, for others who might wish to join. If those interested in the new Chapter will

The employees of the Chuck Job surprised Gerrit DeBoer with the gift of a radio, pipestand, pipe, and tobacco when he retired on November 26 after working at Whitin since October 1906. Foreman Leon Barnes made the presentation

GRADE 6—WEST END SCHOOL—1917—Front row, from the left: Annie Trasavage Rutana, Grace Farrand, Alice Colt, Irene McCool Lavallee, Ethel Boutilier, Bernadette Rainville Prestera, Harriet Dufries Miller. Second row: Johanna Burke, Agnes Steele Swift, Marguerite Roberts Lennen, Mary O'Connell Dorsey, Martha Brown Smith, Cornelia Baker Modderman, Rebecca Gusney, Alice DeBoer LaFleur, Gertrude Buma, Dora Tjaarda Frieswyk. Third row: Edward Kearnan, Edward Bergeron, Raymond Bergeron, William Godbout, Ernest Lincourt, George McRoberts. Fourth row: Edson Creamer, Henry VanderBrug, George Westra, Edward VanderBrug, Thomas Mateer, George Emery, and Robert Dobson. This photograph was loaned to the "Spindle" by William Modderman of the Roll Job

contact Mrs. Cameron by telephone (4-3265) at her home or by letter she will be pleased to explain the functions of the Chapter. Any widow of a World War I veteran is eligible and it is to their advantage to band together for unity, strength, and power, in order to obtain benefits due them.

BLACKSMITH SHOP

by Romeo Tellier

Our Personality of the Month is William P. Blair, 2nd. Bill resides at 409 Church Street, Whitinsville, with his wife Esterline. They met in Vermont and married at St. Patrick's Church, Whitinsville, 21 years ago. They are the proud parents of William Blair, 3rd, 19 years old, who at the present time is taking boot training at Sampson, N. Y. Bill has worked for Whitin about 18 years. During the war he worked on the Torpedo Job and also for a short time on the Small Planer Job. He has been in 409 since May 17, 1945. Bill's hobbies include hunting and fishing. He is a great kidder and his humor keeps the fellows in good spirits. Bill is well liked in 409.

The gang at 409 want to wish John Sullivan a speedy recovery and hope he enjoyed the holidays. . . . Oscar Olson's wife, who resides at Vinalhaven, Maine, has gone on a trip to Oslo, the capital of Norway. There she will visit both their relatives for a stay of three months. She left on the liner "Oslofjord," December 10, and will return in March. We wish her a pleasant journey.

The car that Walter Knapik rides home in hit and knocked out a pheasant last month. The fellows picked it up, thought it dead and gave it to Walter. Walter put the pheasant in a paper bag and when he got home put the bag on the table while he went outside. On his return Walter found the pheasant flying around the kitchen. He knocked himself out chasing it and the pheasant flew the coop. Motto: Things were not as "pheasant" as they seemed!

PICKER AND DRAWING DEPARTMENTS

by Syd Miedema

We wish Joe Gervais a speedy recovery for we certainly miss seeing him behind the big doffer roll covering machine. We hope he is with us when the next SPINDLE goes to press.

There is now an empty chair in the home of George Leland, our wire-cutting expert. His son, George, Jr., has enlisted in the Naval Air Force as a mechanic and is now in training at Bainbridge, Md.

INSPECTION, JOBBING AND NEEDLE DEPARTMENTS

by William Ayotte

The members of Department 428 jointly congratulate Miss Susanna Gusney on completing 33 years of reliable service in this department. Susanna began work here December 8, 1919.

A friend has reported a severe attack of "buck fever" which occurred in Massachusetts last month. Two hunting companions, one modest and experienced, the other a talkative greenhorn, headed their automobile towards their chosen hunting ground. On the way the greenhorn gave instructions in hunting to his comrade. Shortly after their arrival at their hunting stand a 180-pound 10-point buck came within 50 yards. The novice nimrod, with raised gun, stood flushed, trembling, speechless, and unable to fire. The experienced hunter was at last compelled to kill the deer with two loads of buckshot. The greenhorn killed his deer the next day.

Pfc. Joe Brooks, Jr., son of Joseph Brooks, is now a baker at Camp San Marco, Texas

Pfc. Albert Buma, Jr., who worked for five years on the Planer Job, is now a Marine stationed in Turkey

Abraham Twight, Paint Job, and Mrs. Twight are the proud grandparents of Harlow and Randall Spaan

Ernest Dionne, with the Ring Job before entering the service, is now in training at Sampson Air Force Base, New York

Cpl. G. Garitt Ebbeling, who returned to this country in time for Christmas, is shown here in a Korean street scene

No, it's not snow but foam on the Blackstone River after a September rain. This picture was taken near Rice City

LINWOOD DIVISION DEPARTMENT 450

by Wilbur Baird

Personality of the Month: Frank DeJong was born in Holland and came to this country at the age of 11. After attending local schools in Whitinsville, Frank started work in the Core Room in 1933. Before coming to this department he spent some time in the Blacksmith Shop and the Milling Job. During World War II Frank served with the 4th Armored Division and was overseas for two years. He is married to Ida Tabor of Uxbridge. They have two children. Frank's hobby is working around his new home and garden.

Those departments which have an outstanding safety record are displaying, in turn, the National Safety Council Award which was recently granted to Whitin Machine Works. The members of this department are proud of the part they played in this achievement and hope that each year they can display a similar award on their bulletin board.

Congratulations to Reggie Demague who has been appointed a parts and process engineer in Department 450. . . . December birthday greetings are extended to our foreman, Al Blizard, Harry Malkasian, and our assistant foreman, Carl Bosma. . . . Roland Guertin is being transferred to the Whitin Machine Works garage. We hope he likes his new assignment. We will be happy to welcome him back to Department 450 when business conditions permit.

SPINDLE JOB

by Edward Bates

Personality: George Bonner went from Canada to Richford, Vt., in 1897. He moved to Uxbridge about 40 years ago. George has been with Whitin since 1934 with a large number of years on the Spindle Job. He is married and lives on Sayles Street, North Uxbridge. He enjoys baseball and reading.

Lorna Ann, 16-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Lambert, has just returned from Memorial Hospital in Worcester after undergoing treatment for a virus condition. Her father is stock clerk on the Spindle Job. . . . Charles Pendleton, who was home on leave before Thanksgiving, has now been sent overseas. We all wish you luck, Charlie, in your new adventures. Charles is the son of Lendall Pendleton of Department 439. . . . Sidney Visbeck, son of Sikki Visbeck of Department 439, was home on leave for the Christmas holiday. . . . Elmer Farley and his son-in-law, George Hamm, both of the Spindle Job, were moving a refrigerator downstairs when it slipped. George lost four teeth but was otherwise unhurt. . . . After giving up the idea of trying to tame and raise bulls, Albert Kershaw and John VanDyke have gone into the sheep-raising business. They are now trying their luck on raising three sheep and are finding it easier than trying to keep a bull in line. . . . During December, the water was accidently turned on in a disconnected water line on the Spindle Job.

Kenneth Macomber, copying the little Dutch boy who stopped the leak in the Great Dike of Holland, tried to stop the water by putting his finger in the pipe. Because of the pressure he was unable to accomplish his objective.

NICKEL PLATING AND PARKERIZING

by Rene Ethier

We send get-well wishes to Dosilva Beauchamp, convalescing at home following a brief illness, and to Mrs. Anteras Bedigian, who recently came home from the hospital. . . . Congratulations to Oscar Asadoorian, a Whitin employee for 20 years, who has been promoted to group leader of 431A's night shift. . . . We've had so many newcomers on the Job that the welcome mat is practically worn out, but we hope Paul Daignault, Everart Lameroux, John Mikitarian, Arthur Dextraye and Albert Gardner enjoy working with us.

The night crew on the Parkerizing Job have all taken to smoking pipes, with the exception of Oscar Asadoorian who burns a cigar now and then. . . . Foreman Ernie Lawson has a new television set in his new home on Linwood Avenue. Ernie, a Kate Smith fan, can hardly wait each evening to turn on his set. . . . Jimmy Grady and his partner, Uncle Cliff "Holy Cross" Rivet, call their job the "Pickling Department." It is located between the Bolt Job and the Nickel Plating Room. On your next trip by these fellows, notice Jimmy's appropriate boots. . . . If you wish to hear the story about our venison, see Harry Crockett for his long story about the "White Flag."

RESEARCH DIVISION

by Bernice Taylor

This month the Research Division said farewell to one of its most popular members. John Rose, our competent SPINDLE reporter and clerk, has left us to accept a position in the First National Bank of Webster. John has been doing clerical work at Research for two years. He has an excellent singing voice and has studied voice at the New England Conservatory of Music. John was given a pen and pencil set by his co-workers in the Machine Shop. Best of luck and good wishes, Johnny, from all of us.

The highlight last month was our Christmas party which was held at the Klondike Inn on December 13. The menu included turkey or steak. There were 72 present at the party. Short speeches were made by Mr. E. Kent Swift, Jr., Mr. Howard Kuehn, and Mr. Cecil Pendleton. Mr. Frank Kelliher did an excellent job as master of ceremonies. Christmas carols were sung by the group. Kenneth Stanley, Frank Kelliher, and Edward Perry showed colored slides they had taken on various trips. John Rose and Mrs. Paul Grant entertained the group with vocal selections. Mrs. John Rose played the piano.

We are happy to welcome Raymond Schotanus to the Research Division. . . . And last of all, your "pinch hitting" reporter for the month has been transferred from the Box Job to the Research Division and is working here in the laboratory and liking it very much.

MYSTERY PHOTO—Harry Drinkwater, Sr., of Department 416, was the man in the mystery photo last month. Can you identify the smart appearing young fellow on the right?

George Bonner, the Spindle Job's Personality of the Month, is an ardent baseball fan. He also enjoys reading

John Rose sings while Mrs. Rose plays the piano at the Research Division's Christmas party

A/B George R. Girard, formerly of Department 402, is now stationed at Castle Airbase, Calif. George is the son of Henry Girard of Department 420

These winsome misses, Janet and Patricia Henault, live with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Guertin of Linwood. Walter is an engineer at the Linwood Mill

Eli Belanger, plumber, is looking forward to using this 8-inch bench-saw at his new cottage which his sons have almost completed for him in Westboro. The saw was a gift from his fellow associates upon his retirement on November 28. Eli was employed at Whitin for 33 years. His sons, Albert, Henry, and William, employed here, were present when Maintenance Engineer P. B. Walker made the presentation

Clarence Peterson, planner at Wood Patterns, is shown here at home with Mrs. Peterson and their children, Glenn, Carl, and Janice

Seventy-two members of the Research Division enjoyed steak or turkey at the Christmas party held at the Klondike Inn on December 13

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

by Peggy Beaudreau

First of all, I would like to wish everyone a very happy and prosperous new year. . . . Judging by the appearance of the members of the Engineering Department, Thanksgiving Day must have been one of great feasting. Everyone, the next morning, looked like an overstuffed turkey. Some of the men went duck hunting in the morning to work up a good appetite.

The annual Christmas party for the Engineering Department and Master List Department was held at the Oyster Cabin on December 18. Approximately 70 persons attended and all had a joyous time. Entertainment was provided by Joe Roche of Master List who sang "You Belong to Me"; Grace Kazarian of Master List sang "Oh Little Town of Bethlehem"; one quartette consisting of James Roddy, Raymond Burke, Mario Bertone, all of the Engineering Department, and George Couillard of Master List, sang "Sweet Adeline" and other old-time favorites. Another quartette consisting of Leslie Benton, James Ashworth, both of Master List, Joe Branigan and Johnny Thompson, both of Engineering Department, sang carols and old-time favorites. Elsie Davidson, Ethel Braman, Bea Fior, Mrs. Joseph Roche, and Mrs. Shirley Burke contributed to the entertainment by singing "Darktown Strutter's Ball." Bea Fior did her famous Hawaiian Hula Dance. Jim Brosnahan was the master of ceremonies (a very good one) and after everyone had eaten and finished singing their favorite songs, the "gang" danced until they were exhausted. The people who attended the party would like to thank the following committee for the hard work they put into the party to make it a success: Flora and Bert McGaw, James Arsenault, Stasia Mucha, and Alice Naroian.

December birthdays were those of Ruth Briggs, John Lash, and Lloyd Rose. January birthdays are those of Betty Bianchi, and January anniversary greetings are extended to Stella and Ray Boudreau. Congratulations to you all.

PAYROLL COMPUTATION, TABULATING, BUDGETS, STATEMENTS AND OFFICE TIMEKEEPING

by Edith Allen

The members of the Tabulating Department held their Christmas party at the Publick House in Sturbridge on the evening of December 17. Everyone enjoyed a merry evening. Their "in the office party" was held during the noon hour the day before Christmas and was complete with tree and gifts.

Aileen Moran (Mrs. Alfred) left us on December 12 to prepare for the arrival of a new small member in the family. . . . The department welcomes Avis Hokans to their number. . . . Barbara Hamilton Ellis (Mrs. Harry) of Budgets left us in January to assume the duties incident to an expected visit by the stork. . . . Mr. and Mrs. William Baird (Billy of Payroll Computation) celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary in December.

The Wishing Well Club of Department 462 held their annual Christmas party on Monday evening, December 15, at the Colonial Club in Webster. The dinner was of the usual high quality and the inner man was entirely satisfied. The very congenial atmosphere was evidenced by the lusty singing of Christmas carols, led by James Burke, and by the hearty applause accorded the fine solos and duet rendered by Connie (Mrs. Thomas Cawley) and James Burke. Dancing completed a very enjoyable evening.

MASTER LIST DEPARTMENT

by R. W. Yeo

Last month, R. K. Brown presented a 10-year pin to Mrs. Jane Longmuir. Congratulations, Jane. . . . Birthday greetings to Ray Tebeau and Tip O'Neil. Your reporter is also a year older this month. . . . Anniversary wishes to Pete and Ann Buma. . . . We wish to welcome Phyllis Haringa to the Printing Room of the Master List Department. . . . The name of the son born to Mr. and Mrs. James Ashworth on November 7 was incorrectly reported as James. The child's name is Jeffrey Alyn.

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Dorsey Devlin, Gloria Carter and Tad Wallace

The annual noon-hour office Christmas party was held on Wednesday, December 24. Lunch was furnished by a caterer after which a program of entertainment and an exchange of gifts took place. Dorsey Devlin was master of ceremonies. The entertainment, which was of a variety nature, headlined Bill "Hickey" Healey's interesting portrayal of the famous Al Schact act. The Benjamin Sisters and Ernie Donais provided music for the entertainment. F. O. Rizer made a brief address, and the group finished by singing Christmas carols. Ted Bisson served as program chairman.

Belated greeting to Dave Picard, Jr., who is now stationed at Fort Devens. . . . Get-well wishes from all of us to Jim Clarke who is hospitalized at this writing. . . . Orchids this month to the Benjamin Sisters who toured the veterans' hospitals bringing Christmas cheer to all the shut-ins.

The annual Production Department Christmas party was held December 20 at the Sokol Club in East Douglas. About 115 people attended this party which featured an excellent dinner catered by Mrs. Ruth Walker of East Douglas. After dinner, general dancing was in order plus a few games that brought much laughter to the occasion. The party was in fact a "howling success" and a great deal of the credit goes to Bill Walsh who headed the committee on arrangements and acted as M.C. for the evening. A great big hearty thanks to those who donated the decorations and to those who did the decorating. This latter group, comprised of Bill Walsh, "Di" Gautreau, Frances Gonsorcik, Marge and Harry Newton, Bill Taylor, Vic Romasco and Betty Zalapolous, did a grand job. I hope I have included everyone because there will be repercussions if I have omitted one name. Congratulations, committee, it was a good party!

HOW TO AVOID CATCHING COLD . . .

1. AVOID PEOPLE WITH COLDS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE

2. KEEP FEET WARM AND DRY BY WEARING YOUR RUBBERS AND OVERSHOES

3. BEWARE OF FATIGUE.... AVOID OVERWORK AND GET PLENTY OF REST

4. KEEP OUT OF DRAFTS

IF YOU ALREADY HAVE A COLD . . .

1. GO TO BED AND REST

2. EAT LIGHT MEALS WITH NOURISHING FOODS.. DRINK PLENTY OF WATER, FRUIT DRINKS, SOUPS, ETC.

3. DON'T BLOW YOUR NOSE LIKE A BUGLE.. IT FORCES THE INFECTION INTO YOUR SINUSES AND EUSTACHIAN TUBES.

4. BE SURE TO USE YOUR HANDKERCHIEF TO STIFLE COUGHS AND SNEEZES TO PREVENT OTHERS FROM CATCHING YOUR COLD.

5. CALL THE DOCTOR . . .

If you have fever, aches or a racking cough for more than 24 hours. DANGER!

Call doctor at once if you have chills or rust-colored sputum!

Corporal Harvey Dion is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ovila Dion of Linwood, Mass. Mr. Dion is supervisor of Department 460

Pfc. Armand Dumas, formerly of the Foundry, is now stationed at Boppingen, Germany, with the 175th Military Police Battalion

Arakel Naroian, a recent graduate of The Massachusetts Maritime Academy, is the son of Charles Naroian, Department 411

Pvt. Albert A. Lamoureau, who was formerly employed in Department 439, is now stationed at Indiantown Gap with the 5th Infantry Division

Paul E. Cagnon, formerly of Department 489, and Achien N. Cagnon, formerly of Department 465, both members of the 102 AC & W Squadron, are now somewhere in Europe. Their mother, Mrs. Paul Cagnon, lives at 37 Avenue B, Woonsocket, R. I.

No. 5 Scoops: Thanks to Olive "Sis" Kozak for being our new news hawk. . . . Pat Rivet has left us to take up domestic duties. Good luck, Pat. . . . We would like to introduce these new employees who were recently discharged from the Army: Joseph Longoni, John Bartlett, and Robert Trottier. . . . John Spencer of the Repair Section has joined the expediters. . . . The office group held their Christmas party during the noon hour, December 24. Refreshments were served and gifts were exchanged. Oliver Marshall played Santa Claus.

The Foundry Production Control Office held its Christmas party during the lunch hour, December 24. The party was held jointly with Foundry Wage Standards, Core Room, and Foundry personnel. A buffet lunch prepared by Mrs. Walker was enjoyed by all. Joke gifts were exchanged which provided numerous laughs. We wonder why Stanley Ziemba got an elephant? Has Herb Lindblom smoked those cigars yet? What about Rosette, by now she must be a professional at making money? We also have noticed Walter Pendergast seems to enjoy shaving lotion. The committee in charge was comprised of members of each division. The Christmas tree was decorated by Jody Civinini and Joe Guidi. Very nice work, kids, and it really added a lot to the atmosphere of our office. All in all, the party was a great success and we were also informed we were privileged in having been served coffee made "Hog Island" fashion by Andy Hanson and Jerry Turner.

COST DEPARTMENT

by Dick Hanny and Cleve Reynolds

On the night of December 6, the members of the department held their annual salute to Santa Claus at the Cottage Club, Woonsocket. The food and dancing were enjoyed by all. . . . Our gals held their second annual "stag" Christmas party, December 22, in the office during the noon hour. An exchange of gifts highlighted the festivities along with tasty sandwiches and cakes supplied by the girls. . . . Another social event took place December 20 at the Royal A.A. in North Grafton, where the "Real Friends" held their Christmas party.

If anyone is interested in a good horse that won't let him down at the track, he should contact Dexter Allen who has an unusual hobby of making wooden hobby-horses, an ideal Christmas present for the kiddies. . . . John Kneeland received an award of $120 for suggesting a new method of making a rotary seal for Whitin return air condensers. Nice going, John. . . . A few changes have taken place during the month. Armand Plouffe, of the Roving group, has accepted a position in the Cost Department of the Glenark Mill, Woonsocket. A farewell party was held at Belval's Cafe in his honor by his friends last month. Best of luck, Armand. . . . The welcome mat was spread out to Gordon Curtis of Bellingham. He is a former employee who was recently discharged from the United States Navy. We also welcome Leonard Lawrence of Harrisville, a recent graduate of Northeastern University.

ETHODS DEPARTMENT

y Jean Cunningham

Our Christmas party was a huge success ith fun and gaiety for all. We extend pecial thanks to Paul Wheeler, Al Capone, elen Altoonian, Emil Zywien, Don Lange nd all the rest who helped bring this party a big bang for all of us. Joe Bouley deerves a vote of thanks for skillfully playing e role of Santa and presenting the joke fts. A good time was enjoyed by all.

Louis Kenney enjoyed his Christmas week nd at the home of his in-laws at the Cape. . . . I really had a time when I went to oonsocket a few weeks ago. I rode down a car, but coming home I waited an hour nd a half for the bus. It wasn't the warmest ight this year, either. . . . "Bud" Benner as invested in a new Ford—new to him, at is. Don't drive too fast, Bud, you ant to enjoy it awhile, you know. . . . rank Martin has two boys in the service, ne of whom is expected home for the holiday ason. The other lad is in North Africa nd Frank and Mrs. Martin had the wonerful experience of speaking to him over a ort-wave radio set one Sunday at a friend's me in Mendon. Mr. and Mrs. Martin ere thrilled.

Al Capone suggests that anyone cashing check should look it over first. He went cash a check and it bounced back. He oke to the fellow about it and he received nother which bounced back. Like Capone, e third one didn't fail. He won't get stuck gain. . . . "Tippy" Wiersma's son was ome from Calvin College for the holiday ason. He enjoyed it as it has been his rst time away from home. . . . Candles on e cake and a happy birthday song for eorge Bickford, Archie Bolivar, Jr., Kurken arabedian, Bill Neulieb, Jim Shaw, Joe molenski, and Joe Bouley. . . . Walt rieswick and Ed McNamee claim they take on Lange and Rene Thibault over the coals very noon at cards. Don tells me he's not o sure they are doing it honestly. You will ave to prove it first, Don. In the meanime why not change partners and see what appens? . . . Shirley Noble and Rose regeau have been keeping busy knitting and rocheting during lunch hour. We have ies, socks, and hankies to admire all the ime. Shirley and her husband also have a ew Arrow Willis car. Shirley had trouble ocating the light switch the first time she rove at night.

MARRIAGES and ENGAGEMENTS

Ann Hoogendyke, Department 416, engaged to Hertsen Heerdt of the Tool Job, n December.

Pat Benjamin, Production Department, became the bride of Robert Courtemanche on September 20 at St. Mary's Church, Uxbridge

Marie Ebbeling, Department 416, engaged to John VanderBaan, Sr., Department 446, in December. Their wedding has been planned for January.

Alice Guertin, formerly of the Milling Job, engaged to John White of Marlboro, in December.

Joseph Lamoureux, Milling Job, engaged to Pauline Jacques of Hartford, Conn., in December.

William Morrisette, Parkerizing Job, engaged to Theresa Donais of East Douglas, in December.

Births

To John Lalor, Methods, and Mrs. Lalor, a daughter, Jane Ann, born October 19 at Woonsocket Hospital.

To Edward Desjordy, Engineering Department, and Mrs. Desjordy, a son, Christopher Blaine, born in Memorial Hospital, Worcester, December 10, 1952.

To Pendleton Havener and Mrs. Havener, a daughter, Pamela Jane, born December 14, in Memorial Hospital, Worcester. Penny works in the Engineering Department.

To William Lambert, Spindle Job, and Mrs. Lambert, a daughter, Pamela Joy, born on November 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Briand, a daughter, Catherine Mary, born on December 3.

To Harry Roy, Engineering Department, and Mrs. Roy, a son, James, born December 22, at the Whitinsville Hospital.

To Robert Hoisington, Foundry, and Mrs. Hoisington, a son, Robert, born September 17.

To Chester Frieswick, Department 454, and Mrs. Frieswick, a son, Steven Dale, born December 14.

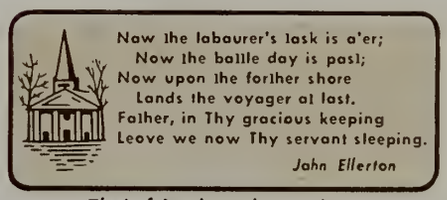
To Norman Magowan, Tool Job, and Mrs. Magowan, a daughter, Alice May, born November 28.

To John Wilson, Pratt & Whitney Grinders, and Mrs. Wilson, a daughter, Wendy Jay, born on October 17.

To Peter Andonian, Department 448, and Mrs. Andonian, a daughter, Nancy, born at Milford Hospital, November 5.

To Leopaul Gamelin, Department 448, and Mrs. Gamelin, a son, John Bernard, born at Whitinsville Hospital, December 12.

To James Brosnahan, Master List Department, and Mrs. Brosnahan, a son, Michael James, born on November 29, at the Whitinsville Hospital.



Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Survivors of Henry Ward, who retired two years ago after completing 56 years' employment in the Whitin Machine Works, and who died at the Grafton Rest Home on November 24. Funeral services were held at St. Patrick's Church on November 26.

Robert Beardsley, Metal Pattern Job, on the death of his stepson, Donald Webster.

Margaret Marshall, Ring Job; Thomas Marshall, Repair Department, and Edward Marshall, Spinning Floor, on the recent death of their mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCallum on the death of their 15-month-old daughter, Jeanne Ellen.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Landry on the death of their first child.

Bernard S. Farrar, Department 450, on the recent death of his mother.

Henry Hall, Department 421, on the recent death of his mother.

Clayton Thurbur, Department 431, on the death of his mother, Mrs. Gladys Thurbur.

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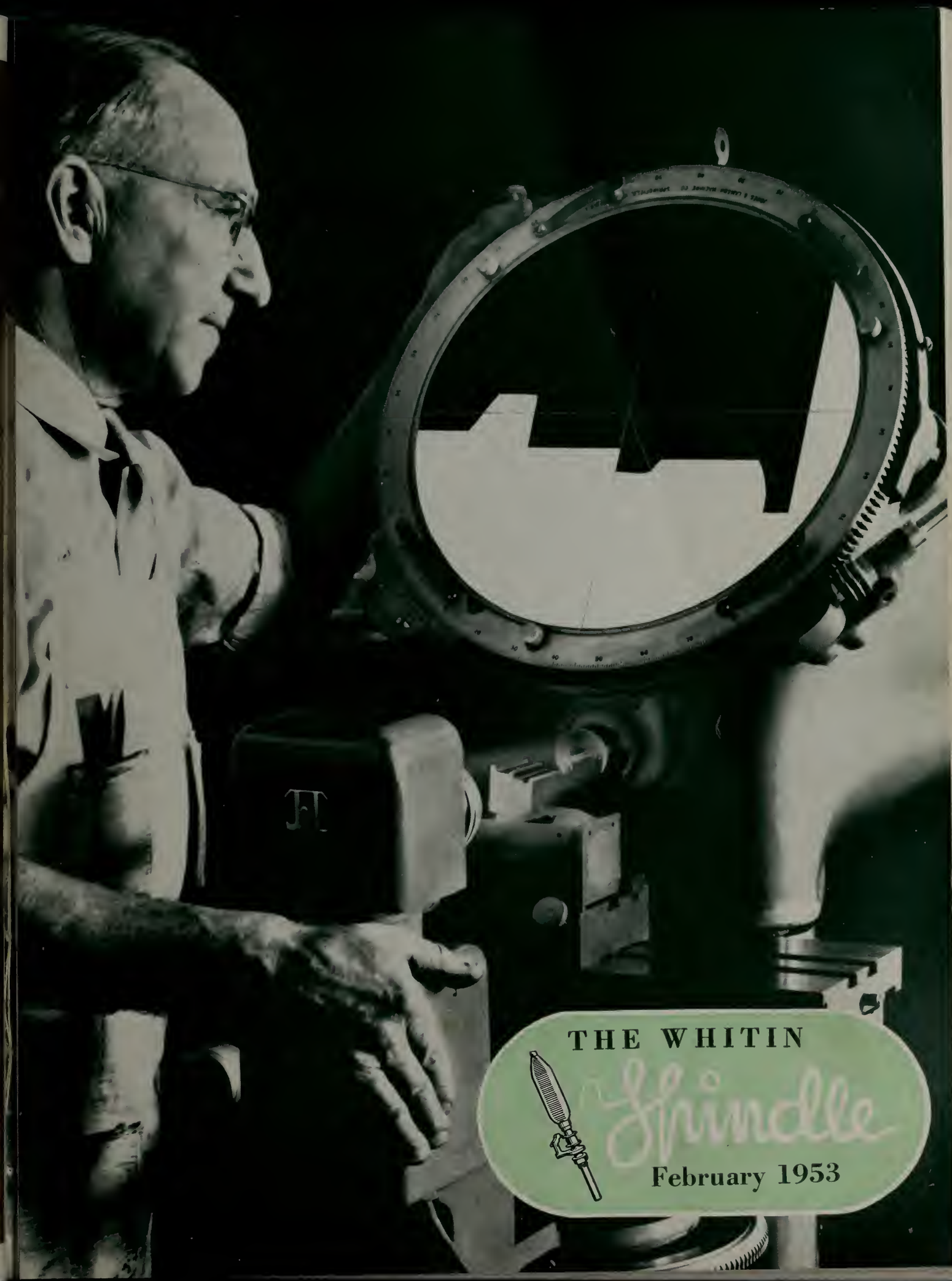

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Familiar Faces

Around the Plant

Raymond Achorn, planner in Department 415, has a son, two daughters, and three grandchildren. His hobbies are baseball and gardening

Richard VanDyke, Department 414, has been with Whitin 34 years. Dick is married, lives in Millville and has two daughters

Fern Arpin, secretary in the Production Department, spends her leisure at home sewing, cracheting, and listening to classical music

Joyce Nydam, secretary in the Advertising Department, after working haurs enjoys playing the piano and attending church socials

Bill Hall, Department 454, came to Whitin in 1906 and for the past 25 years has worked on the Tool Job. Bill's favorite hobby is bowling

Arshog Goshgarian, foundry molder, started with Whitin in 1916. He lives on Elm Street, Whitinsville and has a 14-year-old san

Sam Magowan graduated from the Northbridge High School and entered Whitin Machine Works in 1941. He is a veteran af twa wars

A Skill for Every Need, A Need for Every Skill

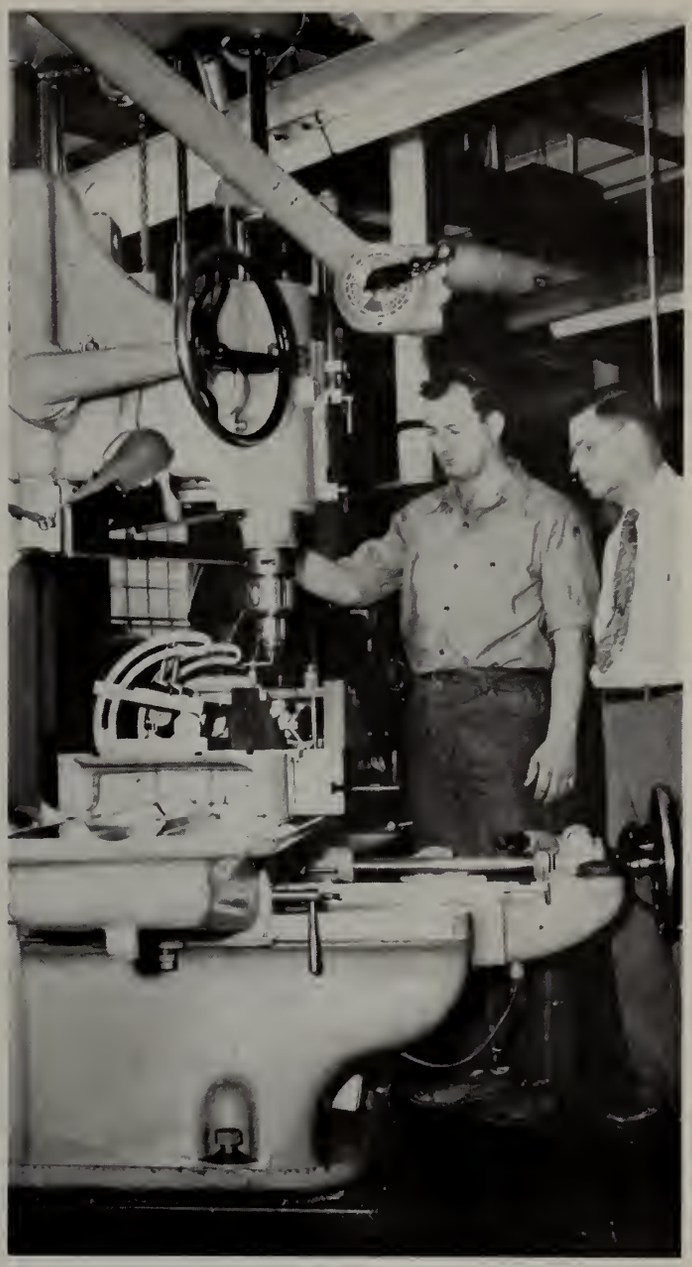
The Tool Job employs more men than any other manufacturing department in the plant with the exception of the Foundry. Among the 200 men, headed by Foreman Ralph Baker, are some of the Shop's most highly skilled craftsmen: toolmakers, welders, scraper hands, lathe hands, planer hands, shaper hands, miller hands, grinder hands, inspectors, and other essential workers.

The tasks performed by these men are as varied as their skills. The Tool Job makes almost all the tools used in production. Working usually to tolerances of .0002″ to .0003″ and at times doing much finer work, Mr. Baker's men make special cutting tools, punches, dies, jigs, fixtures, form tools, and gauges. Also, when any of our 6,000 production machines, from the great Pangborn sandblaster to the Blue Eagle's potato peeler, needs repairs the men of the Tool Job are called on to put it back in running condition. Besides repairing machines the men of this department rebuild old machines, motorize machines, build new special machines and change and filter oils.

The Tool Job, like many of our large manufacturing departments, is divided into sections. Each section is practically a small department within itself.

Machining

The work here is simply to take a piece of metal and shape it according to print. Sounds easy, but some of the shapes are intricate, and, in making tools, we use tool steel. In this section we find lathes, shapers, planers, all types of grinders, horizontal boring mills, vertical and horizontal millers, turret lathes, and jig borers. The jig borers such as this new $25,000 one do the most delicate and finest machining.



Foreman Ralph Baker watches while Joseph Hoogendyke sets up to bore a jig. The cost of this new machine, built by Pratt & Whitney, was $25,000

Joseph Rouleau is internal grinding a drill bushing. Joe is highly skilled in the operation of the Heald internal grinder

Small Tools

The small tool section, under Sidney Baker and Mooshad Ovian, do most of their work on the lathes, millers, and drills. They make all types of special tools, milling cutters, drills, reamers, counterborers, form tools, and miscellaneous tools.

Punches and Dies

This section, under the supervision of Sidney Lafleur, makes blanking, piercing, coining, and trimming dies as

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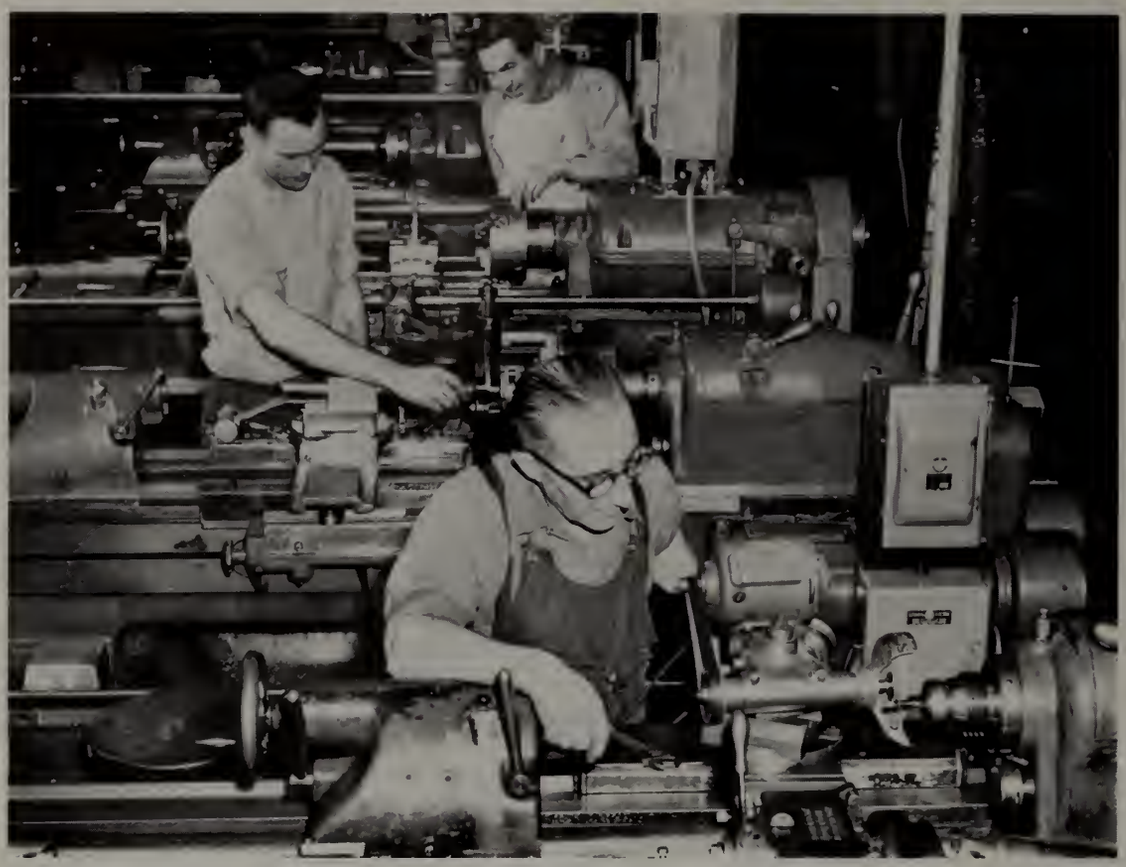
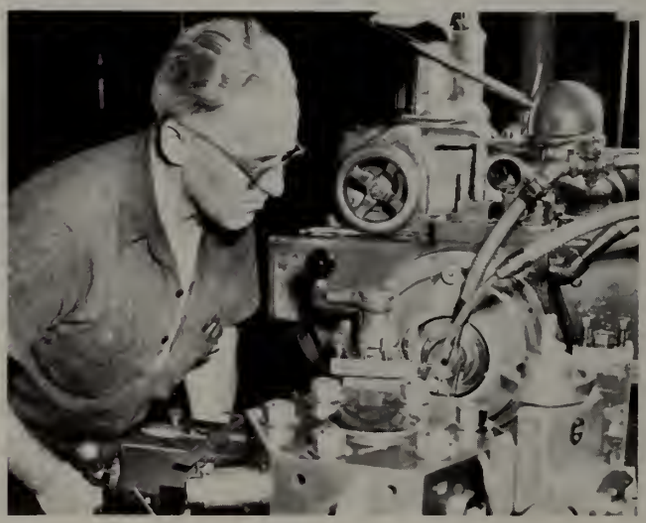


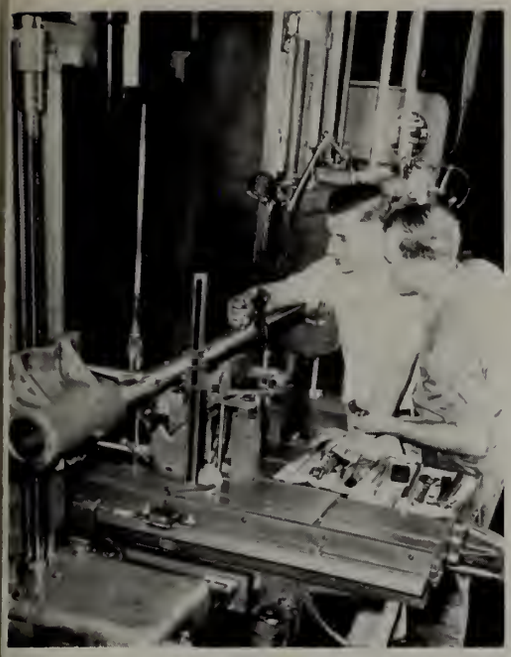
Three men operating line of Pratt & Whit lathes are skilled t makers specializing small tools. Front rear: Albert Peters, Cl ent Jacques, Arma Sansoucy

Tool J

Gilbert Baker, first class diemaker, checks the dimensions on a cradle punch and die

John Wiersma, turret lathe operator, is busily shaping small parts for tools. Because of the semi-automatic nature of the work, turret lathes are used for such tasks





The training of apprentices is taken seriously on the Tool Job. Apprentice Henry Krawczyk and first class Toolmaker Garret Oppewall, using a Universal horizontal boring mill, bore a part for a Nickerson file machine, one of ten being built

Assembly of jigs and fixtures, a task requiring skill and precision, is done by first class toolmakers. From the left: Assistant Supervisor Peter DeVries, Fred Kollette, Supervisor Philip Farrell, Louis Wiersma, Antranig Barsamian, Anthony Belval

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he Tool Job does some roduction work. Here, nder the supervision of illiam Baines, Eugene atro and Stanley Misiszek, both first class elders, are-weld Dupont rolls

This line of Brown & Sharpe milling machines is operated by: Arthur Belval, C. Monroe Stewart, and Raymond Jorritsma, toolmakers assigned to the small tools section

Much of the jig work is done on shapers. From the left: Fred Cowburn and Hertsen Heerdt, toolmakers, and Assistant Foreman Thomas Postma

Cutters must be kept sharp to turn out the quality products our customers demand. This picture of a section of the Cutter Grinding Division shows, from the left: Arthur Damon, Rex Baxendale, Rudy Gniadek, and Newton Murray

Scraping is such precise work that it approaches an art. Levon Tosoonian, scraping supervisor, watches the skilled hands of Robert Hamblin and Michael Prymak as they scrape a large master plate

The grinder hands here are surface grinding jig and fixture parts and grinding form tools. From the left: Julius Vierstra, Leonard Bousquet, Norman McGowan, Francis Mackowiak, Jr., and Frank Bosma

Once a year these men of the Tool Job spend a two- or three-day period 20 feet under ground inspecting and repairing the water wheels. From the left: Oscar Goding, Richard Bosma, William O'Connell, Albert Dion, and Napoleon Deschene

well as punches. Male punches and female dies are used for the purpose of pressing metal into various shapes. The need for exacting standards here is obvious, for the quality of the die and punch determines in part the quality of our finished product. Precision grinding is another important function of this section.

Jigs and Fixtures

Jigs and fixtures lower manufacturing costs and make modern competitive production possible. These ingenious tools are used to hold or locate pieces while the pieces are being machined. Whether you call a device a jig or a fixture is a question of usage—you speak of a "drilling jig" or a "milling fixture." There are also planing and boring fixtures, but no matter what term is used, once a jig or fixture is set up the operator merely runs the machine. The end result is a lower cost to the customer and more pay in the envelope for the worker.

The jig and fixture section is supervised by Philip Farrell and Peter DeVries, who order all materials and allocate the work. Once a part is made it is returned to the supervisor, then sent to a toolmaker who assembles it, then to Tool Inspection for a rigorous check, and finally it is forwarded to the manufacturing departments for use in making our quality products.

Tool Inspection

This is one spot in Massachusetts where the weather never changes, for the temperature here is always 72 degrees. This constant temperature is a must, for so exacting are the requirements of our tool inspection that the fine dimensions of a gauge could be upset by the heat of a hand holding it for a minute. All tools awaiting inspection are held overnight to reach room temperature.

Tool and Cutter Grinding

The tool and cutter section, the responsibility of Philip Larsen, Jr., makes and retips tools with the hardest material made by man, sintered tungsten carbide. The men here grind not only single-point tools such as reamers and lathe tools but also multi-point tools such as the cutters used on milling machines. Cutter dimensions vary from the ½″ keyway cutters to the 24″ carbide cutters used on the big Ingersolls.

Most of the tools used throughout the plant are sent to the Tool Job when they need regrinding. Once sharpened, the cutting edges are dipped in molten plastic to prevent damage during storage and transportation.

Tool Crib

The Tool Crib in this department is one of the most important in the Shop. Thousands of special and standard tools, worth almost one-quarter of a million dollars are available to machinists and toolmakers. This crib could be called a tool center for the entire Shop for it is often called on to supply special tools to the other departments. Here you can procure anything from a gauge used in setting up textile machinery in a mill to a chain lift used to pick up great weights. Roger O'Keefe, supervisor of the Tool Crib, and his four assistants, are so familiar with the contents of the crib that a request for any one of a thousand different tools is promptly filled.

Welding

The easiest way of describing the types of welding done by the workers supervised by William Baines is to say that they are skilled at all types of welding. To be specific, this section does oxy-acetylene, arc, and spot welding, silver soldering, brazing, and some flame hardening. They do some production spot welding, fabricate jigs and fixtures, and do all maintenance welding including high-pressure welding on the Power House boiler.

Maintenance

The men in the maintenance section are available around the clock. The day crew is supervised by Edward Postma and Joseph Rosol; the night crew by Walter Richardson. It's a busy section: besides keeping the Plant's 6,000 machines operating, they build new special machines, rebuild old machines, and motorize old machines. The last task mentioned will continue until the entire Plant has all its machines motorized.

Scraping

It is hard to say whether scraping is a trade or an art. The scraper hands, in charge of Leo Tosoonian, work with practically no tolerances at all. The quality of scraping, exceeded in fineness only by lapping, is measured in spots. The present standard is from five to seven spots per square inch. We now have trained about 25 men in the art of scraping.

Office Force

Mr. Baker is assisted by an efficient office force who keep the many records which are required on a job of this size: Homer Adams, office supervisor; Charles Garabedian, tool expediter; Joseph Forcier, timekeeper; Alice Emery, assistant timekeeper; and Charlotte Duvernay, stenographer-clerk.

Thomas Postma, assistant foreman; John Torosian, night supervisor; and 14 additional supervisors assist in keeping the department running smoothly.

In speaking of the work in Department 454, Mr. Baker proudly said, "I feel that most of the men in our department are highly skilled workers who enjoy this type of work. I've seen a great many other plants and our men do as good tool work as any."

Mr. Baker handles his job smoothly because of his knowledge and experience in toolmaking. Prior to joining Whitin in December of 1943, he was employed for 23 years by the Jones and Lamson Machine Company where he served as toolmaker, foreman, and superintendent of the Thread Tool Division. He is now on the nominating committee of the American Society of Tool Engineers.

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COOPERATION CUTS THE COST

Blue smoke from the exhaust pipe of your car gives warning that you are burning oil. It is wasteful—and expensive.

The repair of broken and damaged tools also is expensive and may give no warning as clear as that blue smoke. You don't see the dollars going out of your pocket the way you do when you buy oil. But this waste hurts you just as waste in your car does. Every cent you spend on extra oil might have gone for something that would give you real benefit. Keeping the cost down on the repair of broken and damaged tools is equally important to you. This waste uses up dollars that might have provided better equipment, higher pay, or better quality for the customer.

FRONT COVER: Harry Roukema, inspector on the Tool Job, is using a Jones and Lamson Comparator and Measuring Machine to inspect a form tool used in one of our production departments. This device, commonly called the "Shadowgraph," enables him to inspect this intricate shape for proper angles, radii, depths, and widths. A report on this important department starts on page 3.

Whitin Personality

IN the eyes of his grandfather and father the 34 years of service that Everett Johnston has in the shop would rank as a mere beginning, for the family is noted for the longevity of their employment here. His grandfather, John Johnston, began work here a full year before Fort Sumter fell before the blazing guns of the Confederate Army. Joining the Whitin Machine Works only 29 years after its founding, John Johnston worked here for 45 years.

Everett's father, John A. Johnston, was employed here for an even longer period. John A. Johnston worked here for 54 years between 1881 and 1935. The aggregate service of Everett, his father, and his grandfather totals 133 years over a 92-year period.

Everett attended the public schools of Northbridge and, after his graduation from Northbridge High, attended what is now Hill College in Woonsocket, R. I. For the past 24 years he has been with the Purchasing Department in which he is now an assistant purchasing agent.

A former member of his high school's basketball and baseball teams, Everett has maintained an avid interest in all sports. In recent years he has often been seen on the golf course or fishing a favorite spot.

Everett, a bachelor, lives on Maple Street, Whitinsville. He was a member of the Jolly Rovers, and is now a member of the Meadowville Gun Club, the United Presbyterian Church, and of Granite Lodge, A.F. and A.M.

Hubert W. Connor, Director, Division of Apprentice Training Department of Labor and Industries and Robert C. Sprague, President of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, congratulate John Baker, Whitin Machine Works, on his selection as an outstanding apprentice

John C. Baker Selected as Outstanding Apprentice

John Baker, a tall, quiet, and modest toolmaker apprentice at the Whitin Machine Works, won recognition for himself and the plant when on December 5 the 57th Annual Congress of American Industry, meeting in New York City, chose him as one of the two outstanding apprentices in Massachusetts. In Boston on Tuesday, January 6, John received a certificate of recognition from the hands of Robert C. Sprague, President of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts. John won this award on his record on the job, in the classroom, and by his outside activities.

This certificate is one of two awarded in the state by the National Association of Manufacturers. A certificate is awarded the outstanding apprentice receiving his related training in a plant school and a similar award is made to the outstanding apprentice receiving his related training outside the plant in which he is apprenticed. Thus a member of the Whitin Machine Works Apprentice School, directed by Luke Lomartire, stands this year in top place in the state.

John, the son of Cecil Baker, foreman of the Roll Job, began work at Whitin as a lathe operator on June 28, 1948, was promoted to lathe hand March 28, 1949, and entered the apprentice school September 6, 1949.

Most of John's life has been spent in Whitinsville, except for the time he spent in Germany where he earned a Purple Heart with the 69th Infantry Division. He was born here June 2, 1926, graduated from Northbridge High School, and now lives with his wife, Helen, and their 20-month-old son, Russell, in the new house he himself built on Purgatory Road.

His spare time hours are filled, for he attends night school at Worcester Junior College, makes furniture, builds scale ship models, grows a garden, and enjoys reading.

APPRENTICESHIP

Certificate of Recognition

BE IT KNOWN THAT

John C. Baker

WHO IS APPRENTICED IN THE SKILLED CRAFT OF

Toolmaking

is hereby awarded this Certificate in recognition of his selection as an Outstanding Apprentice by the Apprentice Selection Committee in the State of Massachusetts. This honor is bestowed upon him for his achievement in the performance of the skills of his craft and in acquiring the technical knowledge related thereto. The National Association of Manufacturers presents this Certificate in full recognition of the importance of apprentice training in the preparation and development of the skilled craftsmen of American Industry essential to its productive effectiveness, the development of its managerial team and an ever-expanding national economy.

Glee Club Presents First Concert for 1953

The Whitin Male Glee Club presented its first concert of the year in Memorial Hall, Whitinsville, on the evening of January 12. The Glee Club was assisted by The Radio and Television Chorale, an exceptionally fine group of singers who also are directed by Mr. Peloquin and who have given many concerts in Providence, Rhode Island.

Mr. Alfred J. Demars, Mr. Patrick A. McGovern and other members of the Glee Club, with the usual cooperation of Mr. P. B. Walker and members of his department, prepared Memorial Hall for the concert. Particularly appropriate was the erection of simulated stained glass windows which gave the stage at Memorial Hall the appearance of the west gallery of a church. Forty-one members of the Glee Club participated in this concert. They, together with the 25 singers of the choral group of Providence, all wearing evening attire, made an impressive picture before the capacity audience of more than 800 persons who came to enjoy the concert.

The program sung that evening consisted entirely of religious music presented in the order of the seasons of the Church year. The entire program was sung *a cappella*, that is, in chapel style or without instrumental accompaniment. The program ranged from ancient Gregorian chants in polyphonic settings to Negro Spirituals in modern arrangements. Each of the selections was sung with great clarity and beauty of tone, and with careful expression reflecting the singers' own deep spiritual appreciation of the religious themes. Listening to the program was a moving, and often thrilling experience. The singers could entertain no doubt that the audience was fully appreciative of the superb presentation of the difficult program.

The program and program notes are given on the opposite page.

The Whitin Male Glee Club was assisted in the January concert by The Radio and Television Chorale of Providence, Rhode Island. The conductor is C. Alexander Peloquin

Concert Program

I

DVENT

13th Century . . . . . O Come, O Come, Immanuel
Sung by the combined choruses

Arcadelt . . . . . Ave Maria
(Inspiration from the 16th Century)
Sung by The Radio and Television Chorale

HRISTMAS

Praetorius . . . . . Lo, How a Rose
(Reverence and simplicity mark this carol)
Sung by Whitin Male Glee Club

DeLassus . . . . . Gloria in Excelsis Deo
(Jubilant strains echoing the angels' exultation on the first Christmas)
Sung by The Radio and Television Chorale

Gustav Holst . . . . . Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
(A haunting melody of French origin)
Sung by the combined choruses

PIPHANY

Fred Waring . . . . . Three Kings
Sung by Whitin Male Glee Club

II

HRIST'S MINISTRY

Gretchaninoff . . . . . The Lord's Prayer
(From the great Russian repertoire)
Sung by the combined choruses

RANSFIGURATION

Tschesnokoff . . . . . Let Thy Holy Presence
Sung by the combined choruses

ALM SUNDAY

Palestrina . . . . . Benedictus (Missa Papae Marcelli)
(One of the pinnacles of Western Church music)
Sung by the combined choruses

OOD FRIDAY

H. R. Wilson . . . . . He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word
(Negro Spiritual)
Sung by the combined choruses

EASTER

Leisring . . . . . O Filii et Filiae (Antiphonal)
(Alternating men's and women's voices make this a lively piece of 17th Century writing)
Sung by the combined choruses

III

EASTER (continued)

Randall Thompson . . . . . Alleluia
(A master work from the pen of an American composer. First performed at the Berkshire Music Center in 1940)
Sung by The Radio and Television Chorale

William Billings . . . . . The Lord is Ris'n Indeed
(Billings [1746–1800] and his followers placed the "air" in the tenor voice with the soprano and alto forming a descant)
Sung by the combined choruses

ASCENSION

Marenzio . . . . . O Rex Gloriae
("O King of Glory, Lord of Strength, who as Conqueror dost ascend today into the heavens: leave us not orphans, but send to us the Promised One of the Father, The Spirit of Truth—Alleluia." The text is graphically illustrated by the 16th Century composer who is better known for his madrigals than for his religious works)
Sung by The Radio and Television Chorale

PENTECOST

Fr. Jos. Schuetky . . . . . Send Forth Thy Spirit
(A favorite in the repertoire of *a cappella* choirs)
Sung by Whitin Male Glee Club

TRINITY

Rachmaninoff . . . . . Glory to the Trinity
(From the Russian Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom. The great pianist-composer's profound reverence for God is brought forth in this hymn)
Sung by the combined choruses

IV

ALL SAINTS

W. L. Dawson
Soon—Ah will be done awid de troubles ob de worl'
(Expressed in this spontaneous rhythmic song is the desire of every true Christian; that is, to be united with his loved ones at the Throne of God. "Goin' home t'live wid God")
Sung by Whitin Male Glee Club

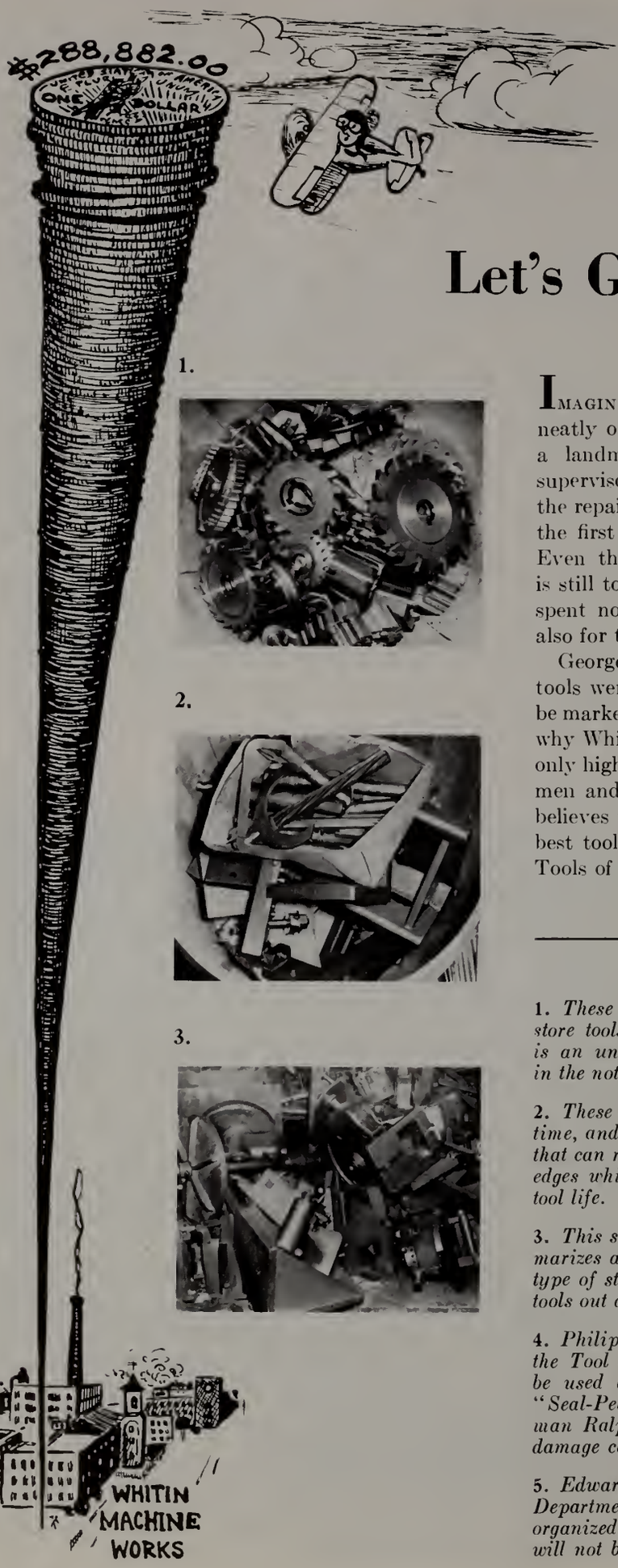
THANKSGIVING

J. S. Bach . . . . . Now Thank We All Our God
(A world-famous hymn tune harmonized by the immortal Bach)
Sung by the Whitin Male Glee Club

Clarence Dickinson
List to the Lark! (with chimes and glockenspiel)
(This melody was played on the chimes of the Congregational Church at Norfolk, Connecticut, as arranged by their donor, Robbins Battell, from the chimes of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, London)
Sung by the combined choruses

Kalinnikoff
Let All Creatures of God His Praises Sing (with chimes)
(A work which has its roots in the song of the medieval Christian churches. The first part has a bell effect worked out in the basses. The second half begins with angelic choirs, as it were, and gradually adds lower voices till the whole world seems to be singing The Divine Praises)
Sung by the combined choruses

The Whitin Male Glee Club and their Conductor, Mr. C. Alexander Peloquin, appreciate greatly the assistance of The Radio and Television Chorale of Providence, Rhode Island, and are grateful also for the efforts of all Whitin personnel who helped make this concert an outstanding success.



Let's Get Down to Earth

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IMAGINE a stack of silver dollars 2,708 feet high stacked neatly outside the Main Office door. It would be quite a landmark, and yet, according to Theodore Froh, supervisor of budgets, the sum that Whitin spent for the repair, fabrication, and purchase of small tools during the first six months of 1952 would soar to that height! Even though Whitin buys only quality tools $288,882 is still too large a landmark, for of this sum $83,093 was spent not only for the normal sharpening of tools but also for the repair of broken and damaged tools.

George Fullerton of Tool Control believes that if our tools were given proper care and usage this figure could be markedly reduced. He says, "There are several reasons why Whitin textile machines are the world's best. We use only high quality materials, our workers are skilled craftsmen and we purchase the best tools available. Whitin believes that their employees should be provided with the best tool for the job rather than the least expensive tool. Tools of the quality we demand deserve care in handling,

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1. *These milling cutters are a glaring example of how not to store tools. This, like the other photographs on this page, is an unposed scene taken in the Whitin Machine Works in the not-so-distant past.*

2. *These tapered reamers and arbors were found at the same time, and the situation has been corrected. The least damage that can result from this type of storage is nicks in the cutting edges which will require excessive grinding and will shorten tool life.*

3. *This stack of jigs and fixtures, also an actual scene, summarizes all that is wrong with heaping tools in stacks. This type of storage will bruise bases, impair accuracy, throw the tools out of line, and tend to cause breakage.*

4. *Philip Skillen shows the way cutters are transported from the Tool Job after sharpening. The light hued cutters will be used at once. The dark hued cutters are coated with "Seal-Peel" plastic to protect them while in storage. Foreman Ralph Baker of the Tool Job says that much needless damage could be avoided by similar care in the departments.*

5. *Edward Frappier, who is in charge of the Tool Crib in Department 427, may well take pride in the neat and well-organized way in which his tools are stored. These tools will not be damaged in storage, and may be quickly located.*

yet it is true that often tools are broken or have their life shortened by careless handling."

Whitin's tool chest is not only of high quality, but it is big. It contains many thousands of small tools, from tiny drills to special cutters, ranging in cost from a few cents to hundreds of dollars. Their total cost is impressive.

The major cause of tool breakage is carelessness in handling. Tools are often precision instruments made to exacting tolerances. They should not be thrown into bins, nor are they designed to stand the shock of repeated falls from the bench. Remember, drills, taps, and screwdrivers are not intended for use as chisels, levers, or hammers!

Naturally all tools require periodic repair and maintenance. Maximum tool life can be obtained only by proper maintenance and by reasonable care in using, handling, and transporting them, for the average tool is made to exacting specifications for a specialized purpose. Tools damaged beyond repair must be replaced, and Mr. Froh's figures show that Whitin paid $115,349 for the replacement of worn, damaged, and broken tools during the first half of 1952—an average of $901 per work day.

Certain definite steps would lessen the amount of tool damage according to Mr. Fullerton. He points out that it is the inexperienced new worker who is most apt to break tools, to turn out scrapped work, and to suffer personal injury. New workers and transferred workers require adequate instruction, training, and supervision in order that they will understand the function of each tool they use.

Most tools are ground on the tool job. When their edges are dulled they should be returned before undue wear occurs so that it will not be necessary to overgrind them. The practice of looping cutters together before returning them for regrinding should be avoided, for if one cutting edge is nicked all the cutting edges on the tool must be reground. Drills and single-point tools should be ground without overheating.

Cutters should be resharpened before they have completely failed; otherwise the expense of reconditioning them will be higher than any advantages gained in machining a greater number of workpieces. Milling cutters, whether cutting on the periphery or chamfer, should be resharpened when the cutting teeth show a land wear of $\frac{1}{32}''$. Drills should be periodically inspected during their use to guard against severe corner or margin wear, and machine reamers should also be checked for excessive chamfer or corner wear.

The machines also require proper maintenance if full value is to be received from each tool. High on the list is the necessity for proper coolants. Harold P. Mattioli, plant metallurgist, states that the use of insufficient or incorrect types of coolant causes excessive tool wear and tends to cause tool breakage. Operators should be alert to signs of excessive heat, for a change in jobs or a change in the type of material may require a change in the type of coolant used.

When the machine labors hard, when the finish to the metal is not as fine as it should be, then check your coolant.

Minor causes of damaged tools are improper alignment of tools, particularly on drills and punches and dies, excessive feed and speed, which may in addition to damaging the tool cause the machine and work to be damaged, and the use of the wrong type of tool. Tool chatter is a warning of impending tool damage or breakage.

The same carelessness which causes tool damage and breakage often causes spoiled or scrapped work at the same time—an additional, undesirable and avoidable expense—and often results in serious personal injury. Common sense and extra care will solve the problem maintaining our supply of small tools at a more reasonable expense.

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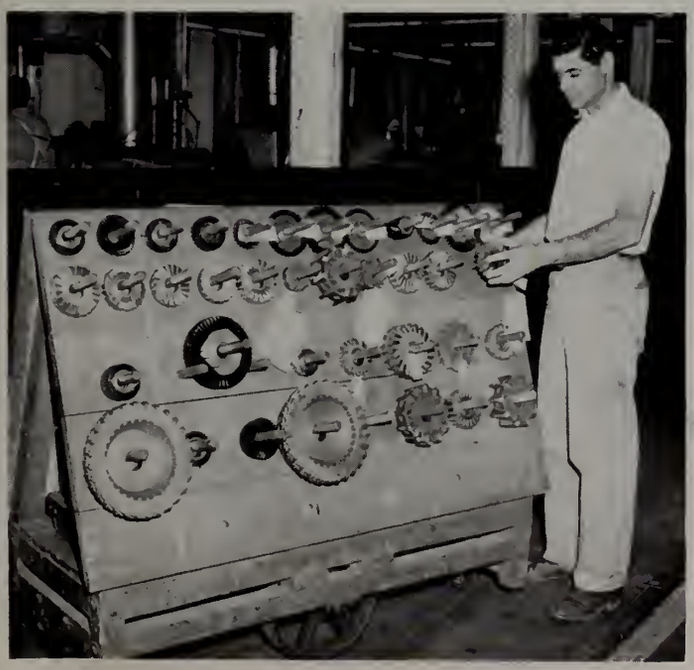

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Sports—

Basketball Teams Represent Gym

By Harold Case

Although the basketball season is in its infancy at this writing there is a great deal of action taking place at the Gym. The Gym team has entered the MacBen League and will play the following teams on a home and home basis: Telegram and Gazette, Lujon Clothes, Worcester Taper Pin Company, Allan Corporation, and Rockwood Sprinkler. No league games have been played yet so there is no sense in trying to guess where the local boys will finish. The squad, coached by Adam Davidson, seems to be a strong one with plenty of height and speed and is made up of the following players: Pa Sohigian, Jim Davidson, Peter Misakian, Norm Belva Harry Brown, Ray Young, Popkin Shenian, And Vierstra, Tom Crawford, Jack Ratcliffe and Gus La rochelle. Up to now this team has played six game outside of the league and enjoy a four and two record.

The Gym also has organized a girls' team but instea of playing in a league as last year they will play inde pendent teams. The roster includes: Violet Cichonski Barbara Spratt, Nancy Spratt, Marylyn Nuttall, Beverl King, Paula Cassidy, Ruth Butterfield, Marylyn Blair and Jean Anderson.

The Church League is in full swing and includes sixth team this year instead of the usual five; St. Mary's from Upton being the new entry. Also, this year Methodist-Trinity dropped out but St. Pat's had so many boys out for one team that it was decided to support two teams. It'll be some Donnybrook when they play each other! Christian Reform are the defending champs and may repeat again, though St. Mary's looks strong, and one of the St. Patrick's teams may cause them a hard night when they meet.

The Junior High is the third league and in the games so far there has not been more than six points difference in the final scores. This league is certainly going to be a tight one.

In wrapping up this column may I urge you to come to the Gym on a Thursday evening and watch your church team play, or on Saturday evening to watch a church game plus a Gym team game.

Whitin Community Association basketball team. First row, from the left: Gus Larochelle, Norman Belval, James Davidson, 3rd, Gordon Spence. Second row, from the left: Roscoe Marker, Director of the Whitin Community Association; Raymond Young, Paul Sohigian, Peter Misakian, Paul Oliver, and Coach Adam Davidson

Whitin Men Assigned New Positions

Donald L. Sangster is now a Divisional Superintendent

On December 26, Donald L. Sangster, formerly assistant to Jacob DeJong, was appointed Divisional Superintendent in charge of Departments 401, 402, 423, 425, 428, 436, 450, and 451. After attending the University of Massachusetts he worked for the Worthington Pump Company, Holyoke, until entering the advanced apprentice course at Whitin in 1939.

Don entered the Coast Guard in October, 1942, and spent 30 months aboard a cutter in the icy waters of the Bering Sea. He was discharged in October, 1945, as a Machinist's Mate 1st Class.

On returning to Whitin, Don went into Production Control and beginning in May, 1947, was for four years assistant to Jacob DeJong. In April, 1951, he was appointed assistant to the late Harry Lees.

He is a member of the American Foundry Men's Society, the Whitinsville Golf Club, the Whitinsville Fire Department, and is treasurer of Cub Scout Pack 22, Uxbridge. His hobby is golf, and he says that with his golf partner Jacob DeJong he is willing to take on anyone at the game.

Don and Mrs. Sangster live with their children, Douglas, age 10, and Jane, age 4, on Maple Street, Whitinsville.

Robert Stewart takes over duties of Divisional Superintendent

Robert Stewart, formerly assistant to James Rankine has been promoted to the position of Divisional Superintendent in charge of Departments 413, 419, 421, 422, 439, 440, 441, 442, and 452. He trained for this position by majoring in industrial administration at Yale, by an apprenticeship at the American Thread Company, Holyoke, by taking the advanced apprentice course here, by working in the Production Department and in Number 2 office, and by serving as Mr. Rankine's assistant.

He joined Whitin in July, 1940, only to be called into the Army in 1941. Bob joined as a private, saw action on the islands of New Guinea, Leyte, and Luzon, received the Purple Heart for being thrice wounded, and was discharged with the rank of 1st Lieutenant in July, 1945.

Bob is active in civic affairs. Last year he was charter president of the P.T.A. and at present he is treasurer of Boy Scout Troop 155 and Superintendent of the Whitinsville Village Congregational Church Sunday School. He enjoys swimming and tennis.

Bob and Mrs. Stewart live with their sons, Arthur, age 9, and Donald, age 5, at 18 Elm Place, Whitinsville.

James R. Sheldon promoted to Foreman of Electrical Department

James R. Sheldon has been promoted from Assistant Foreman to Foreman of the Electrical Department. He was born in Linwood, Massachusetts, on December 19, 1913, was educated in the Grafton schools, and was graduated from the Worcester Boys Trade School. His knowledge of electrical equipment has been broadened by night courses at the Rhode Island Radio School.

Jim began as an electrician's helper at the Wuskanut Mill. Coming to the Whitin Machine Works as an electrician in 1934, he rose to Assistant Foreman in 1944.

During World War II he served in the Merchant Marine as an electrician on a troop transport sailing the submarine-infested waters around the British Isles and Sicily. Even under those conditions he maintained his interest in baseball and football scores.

His present activities include membership in the Worcester County Electric League, operating the amateur radio station WINTT, and bird-hunting with his English setter "Freckles." Jim, Mrs. Sheldon, and their daughters, Nancy, age 12, and Jeanne, age 8, live at 853 Hill Street, Whitinsville.

Burton A. Robie appointed Plant Electrical Engineer

Burton A. Robie, who began work here in 1919 as an electrician, has been promoted to the post of Plant Electrical Engineer and is now in charge of all electrical equipment in the Whitin Machine Works. He was formerly the foreman of the Electrical Department, a position he had held from 1944. Prior to that time he was the assistant foreman.

Burton was born in Northbridge on October 24, 1897, and attended the Northbridge public schools. A graduate of the Mercersburg Academy, Mercersburg, Pa., he has attended also Worcester Tech and the Westinghouse Lighting Institute. He was employed for a two-year period in the maintenance department of the Paul Whitin Manufacturing Company before he joined the Whitin Machine Works.

Very active, he is a member of the Masonic order, the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, the Worcester Engineering Council, the Worcester Mechanics Association, and the Worcester County Electric League, and inspector of wires for Grafton. Burton follows baseball, football, and winter sports, does photography work, and makes model ships. Mr. and Mrs. Robie, who make their home at 40 Elmwood Avenue, have two sons, Burton, Jr., age 27, Curtis, age 23, and a three-month-old grandson, Curt Douglas.

The Sun Never Sets on W

So you'd like to travel? Here is your chance t the world—and all without leaving your armchair! scenes on this page take you to countries, colonies, territories without the continental United States. come from the ends of the earth, yet they have one t in common: they are among the lands which are custo of the Whitin Machine Works.

Can you match the pictures with the name of country from which it comes? All the lands in w Whitin machinery is operating are listed here. The tions may give you a clue. Check yourself against correct answers on page 21.

↑ 1. This is an easy one. Here are a famous river, a famous abbey, and a famous clock.

← 2. If you can identify the breed to which this kingsize dog belongs you should be able to guess the land where this picture was taken.

3. This castle, Drachenfels, would be as good a place as any to watch from. ↓

↑ 4. This flag-like building is i the Western Hemisphere, bu Spanish is not spoken here.

↑ 5. The crack soldiers of this land wear skirts when on dress parade, but they are famed for their fighting ability.

← 6. This country, together with Argentina and Brazil, contributes the bulk of South America's sugar crop.

→ 7. Gene Autry and other cowboy singers borrowed something from this land.

Machines

rentina	Holland
tria	Iceland
tralia	Ireland
gium	Israel
via	Italy
zil	Jamaica
ma	Japan
e	Mexico
a	Peru
mbia	Philippine Republic
a	Puerto Rico
mark	Sweden
ador	Switzerland
Salvador	Trinidad
land	Union of South Africa
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↑ 14. This noted statue of Christ stands on a mountain range that extends the length of a continent.

↓ 15. It's an island, but don't be fooled by the East Indian costumes.

8. This fortunate and lovable little fellow inspired the Teddy bear and dies unless fed a straight diet of eucalypt leaves. ↑

9. Shucks, this one does not need a caption. In this land the sun is honored. ↓

→ 10. These men are building a willow-mattress to enclose a polder.

↑ 11. No, Panama is not on the list, but this girl is not a stranger to the United States.

→ 12. The average housewife relies on one of the products of this land, and when she is through with it the average small boy can use it to keep fishworms in.

→ 13. A singer has claimed that the leading exports of this city are a girl's best friends.

It Takes Both

There are two kinds of people in America—the "think-uppers" and the "get-it-doners." With scientists and engineers thinking up ways to improve production, and technicians and artisans carrying out their ideas, we've got to the point where 350 companies employing 500,000 people are producing $4,500,000,000 worth of machines and tools so that we can produce more things at a lower price.

A successful businessman, after eight years of absence, alighted at the railroad station of the old home town.

There was, despite his expectation, no one on the platform he knew. No one.

Discouraged, he sought out the station master, a friend from his boyhood. To him at least he would be welcome, and he was about to extend a hearty greeting, when the other spoke first.

"Hello, George," he said, "going away?"

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Wife to husband: "A trolley scratched the left front door a little today. If you want to look at it, it's in the back seat."

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A man's enemies seldom bother to kick him when he's down. They stand aside and let his friends do it.

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Looking over the native women on a Pacific Island, the sailor asked his buddy: "Is it absolutely necessary that we have one in every port?"

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"What are you putting in your vest pocket there, Joe?"

"That's a stick of dynamite. Every time that Dan sees me he slaps me on the chest and breaks all my cigars. The next time he does it he's going to blow his hand off."

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The cheapest place to get your car remodeled is in a two-bit parking lot.

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"Can you help me select a gift for a wealthy, old aunt who is very weak and can hardly walk?"

Clerk: "How about some floor wax?"

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A mother lion opened her eyes lazily and saw her young offspring chasing a hunter around a tree.

"Baby," she called, "don't play with your food."

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Before marriage: "I like the smell of tobacco and I think a man looks so masculine with a pipe."

After marriage: "For heaven's sake! That pipe smells up the whole house. Throw it away."

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Wife: "Tomorrow is our wedding anniversary, Sam. Shall I kill the turkey?"

Husband: "Why, for heaven's sake? What did he have to do with it?"

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Johnny: "Dad, it says here that a certain man was a financial genius. What does that mean?"

Dad: "That he could earn money faster than his family could spend it."

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Sandy joined a golf club and was told by the professional that if his name was on his golf balls and they were lost, they would be returned to him when found.

"Good," said the Scot, "put my name on this ball." The pro did so.

"Would you also put M.D. after it?" asked the new member. "I'm a doctor." The pro obeyed.

"Now just one more thing," went on the Scot. "Can ye squeeze 'Hours 10 to 3' on as well?"

FUN FOR BOYS AND GIRLS!

★ A TREASURE CHEST OF THINGS TO MAKE AND DO ★

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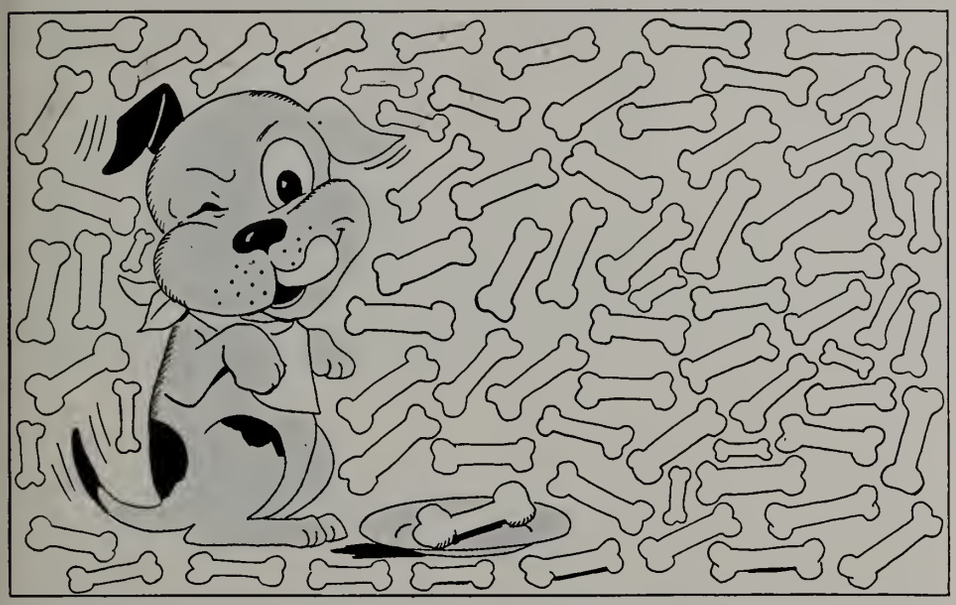
FIDO'S PUZZLE: HOW MANY BONES IN HIS FEAST?



Fido, the happy (and very hungry) dog, wants to know if you can tell him how many bones there are in the feast he is about to tackle. Count carefully, then look for the answer on this page.

MAKE THIS BUTTON YO-YO

No matter how many fine toys you may have, you can always use another. One dandy toy you can make at home is a vestpocket yo-yo. It's a clever little device and you can have a barrel of fun with it.

The yo-yo can be put together in about five minutes, once you have rounded up the materials. Best part about it is the fact that it's tiny enough to carry in your smallest pocket and therefore is ready for use almost anywhere and any time.

You will need two rather large buttons (such as overcoat buttons) and a piece of strong thread (see Figure 1 below). Sew the buttons together tightly with the curved sides toward each other as in Figure 2. Tie a piece of heavy thread to the axle (Figure 3) and wind this thread around and around, just as you do the string of a regular yo-yo. The thread should be about two feet long.

Hold the free end of the thread between your thumb and finger. Let the buttons drop toward the floor. When the thread is almost all unwound, jerk it upward gently. This will cause the buttons to climb back up. You can keep them going up and down that way indefinitely.

After you have made a button yo-yo and learned how to operate it, all your friends will want to make one.

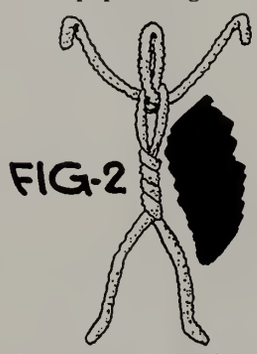
FOLLOW THESE SKETCHES WHEN YOU MAKE YO-YO

PARATROOPER MADE OF A PIPE CLEANER

Few things can be more fun than a pipe-cleaner paratrooper and a tissue paper parachute. You can make one of these fascinating playthings by following the directions given here. When you drop the parachute from a high place such as a chair or your porch, it will carry the paratrooper safely to the ground.

Materials needed are a large square of tissue paper, a couple of pipe cleaners and some string.

Prepare the parachute first. Cut two strings to equal length. Tie each one to two opposite corners of the square of tissue paper (Figure 1). This is easy to do if you first gather each corner of the tissue together.



Make the paratrooper next. He is shown in Figure 2. Use one cleaner to form his body and legs. Twist it as shown in the illustration.

Use another cleaner to form his head and arms. Make a loop in this cleaner for his head, then slip it through the loop at the top of his body. Bend the end of each arm sharply to make the hands.

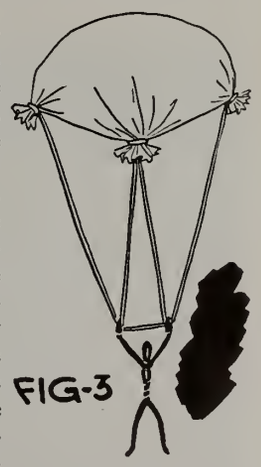


Figure 3 shows how to attach the paratrooper securely to the strings of the parachute. Simply hook his hands over the strings at the point where they cross beneath the parachute. To keep him from falling off, bend his hands tightly around the strings.

The toy is now ready to use. Drop it from a fairly high place and watch it float downward.

ANSWER TO PUZZLE

There are 74 bones in the picture.

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREWS

by Bill Scanlon

Erle Simmons, Yard Foreman, and his family made a trip to Washington, D.C., to visit his sister. From all accounts Erle had a most enjoyable time. . . . John Grocki, of the Garage Department, and his family made a four-day visit to Yonkers, N. Y. He visited his friend, Theodore Serafin, whom he hadn't seen for 20 years. After this long separation John immediately recognized his pal who formerly worked with him in Yonkers. . . . Pat Keefe, Henry Walmsley, and Del Williams have been on the sick list. At the present time all except Del Williams have returned. The boys are waiting anxiously for his return. . . . Alex St. Germaine, of Charlie Commons' department, is back to work again after being out six weeks. Glad to see all the boys back. . . . Believe it or not—Campo has been feeding a seagull for the past five years. If he forgets to feed him at noon the gull flys in and out the windows of Campo's electric locomotive and follows him down the track until he is fed.

LINWOOD MILL

by Louise Sohigian

We are very happy to have Mary Doldoorian back with us after having been out sick for quite some time.

Birthday candles are lit for Evelyn Ashton and Hannah Frieswyck this month.

STEEL FABRICATING AND CUTTING-OFF JOB

by Marion Metcalf

Personality of the Month: Robert H. Moorey was born in Worcester and at the age of two moved with his family to Millbury. After attending grammar school in Millbury, he attended two years of high school in Worcester, and then returned to Millbury High School to graduate in 1934. A few years later, in 1938, he met and married Virginia O. Hoyt. They were married in Millbury Federated Church by the Reverend Elliot Foster. They have two daughters, Nancy Louise, age 13, and Patricia Anne, age nine.

Bob served three years in the Army Ordnance Corps, stationed at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland. He held the rank of staff sergeant. In June, 1949, he joined the Whitin Machine Works and was assigned to Department 432. Bob loves fishing, hunting and, best of all, flying, and has over 300 hours as a pilot. His hobbies consist of special wood and metal crafts and he excels in oil painting. Bob is now supervisor of Department 432.

The Steel Fabricating Section held its annual Christmas party at the Embassy Club in Woonsocket, R. I. This was sponsored by the "Buffoon Club" of Department 432. Robert H. Moorey acted as master of ceremonies, assisted by "Sheriff" Alfred Nichols. During the evening gifts were exchanged and "Buffoon" president John Steele nominated Inspector Maurice P. Valois as "Buffoon" of the year. The committee was as follows: Mrs. Gloria LaRoche, publicity; Bernard Gervais, tickets; Harold Kelliher, entertainment.

Allan McCrea of the grinding section is very happy of late for his former stablemate, the now famous jockey, "Tony" DeSpirito who made the grade. It seems that "Al" and "Tony" were buddies at many racing emporiums in the past season.

The welcome mat was rolled out in the past weeks to Allan McCrea, Raymond Marshall, Fidele Provoyeur, Rene Rock, Gaston Menard, Michael Bodnar, Ernest Doucette, Roland Lippe, and to our new inspector, Paul Christian. . . . Congratulations to Herman Woeller, George Castelli, "Mike" Yozura, and Joseph Bartlenski, who received their five-year service pins. . . . May we wish Mr. and Mrs. John Steele, Jr., many years of happiness in their new home on 4 William Ward Street, North Uxbridge.

ROLL JOB

by John C. Onanian

The Personality of the Month is William Modderman who came to the United States from the land of his birth, Holland, in 1929. Bill started work on the Packing Job in September, 1929, and after three years transferred to the Roll Job. He has center-drilled rolls, coupled rolls, fluted rolls, and at the present time assembles rolls. He and Mrs. Modderman, the former Cornelia Baker, were married in Whitinsville and are the parents of two daughters. Bill enjoys chess and baseball.

We are glad to report that Titus Cooper and Wilfred Henault are home from the hospital after undergoing operations. Titus is retiring after more than 40 years of service and we wish him the best of luck and health. We are looking forward to seeing Wilfred back on the Job soon.

Two members of the outside crews, Stedman Ruggles who retired some months ago, and Henry Martin who retired last month received purses of money from their associates. The presentations were made by P. B. Walker and Charles Commons. Stedman, who lives at the Blue Eagle, started with Whitin on July 18, 1925 while Henry, who has three sons and a daughter working here, began work on October 23, 1922

Whitin employees, in order to make certain that Whitin textile machines remain the world's best, are continually learning more about their jobs. The men shown here are attending a grinding course given by the Norton Company during the week of January 12. Standing at extreme left, left to right: Charles Brouwer, Philip Larsen, and Frank Martin. Front row: Henry Nejadlik, Walter Skers, Robert Asmussen, Edward Rosol, Ralph Stinson, and William Spratt. Middle row: Alfred Arterton, Donald Mateer, Sidney LaFleur, Hjalma Larson, and John Baker. Rear row: Harry Galloway, John Strachan, Emil Deschamps, Alfred Vallee, and Robert Ebbeling

We have discovered why Frank Nester is feeling blue. They cut down the old elm tree in front of the cafeteria, and Frank, who for the past 37 years, when the weather permitted, sat each noon on one of the tree's big roots now has no place to sit! We have pointed out that he could sit where the root was, but he complains of the lack of shade. Perhaps he could use a beach umbrella.

Hazel Trainor smelled something burning near her Christmas tree. She investigated, and one of the water-filled lights burst into her eyes. She was unharmed, but we suggest that she wear safety glasses next time.

The Roll Job's Christmas party was held at the Colonial Club, Webster, on December 12, 1952. The 12 who attended had an enjoyable evening. Harold O'Connell appreciated the gift of a drum inscribed "O'Connell —Master Drummer." . . . W. Reneao and John Stavinski are back from Department 423 and Edgar Lamarre, Normand Lamarre, and Edward Dawicki have returned to the night shift.

NICKEL-PLATING AND PARKERIZING

by Rene Ethier

This month we highlight Irene Milkman, our clerk, who decided to buy a parakeet to keep her from being lonesome. The bird is the same color as Irene's new hairdo, and has been named "Petie." Irene now needs no alarm clock mornings thanks to "Petie," the self-winding parakeet.

Congratulations to Varkis Ovian, Oil Room, and Eddie Ledue, Nickel-plating Room, on receiving their five-year pins from Foreman Ernie Lawson.

COMBER JOB

by Harold Leoncini

Personalities of the Month: The Comber Job proudly announces the termination of 30 years' service for two of its men. They are Hugh Mateer and Patrick Kelly.

Mr. Mateer was born in Belfast, Ireland. Deciding to leave his native land, he disembarked in the United States in August, 1922. Shortly after industrious Hugh was busily at work on the Comber Job of the Whitin Machine Works. "In my time," he says, "I have seen many different models of combers—six in all." Mr. Mateer is married and has a daughter residing in Meadville, Pa. During the seasons he enjoys gardening and baseball, likes to read and to view television.

Mr. Kelly was born in County Cork, Ireland, and migrated to the United States in 1922. His aggressiveness is readily seen, for arriving on Thursday he started work the following Monday. His first four years were spent on the Flyer Job. Later Pat was transferred to the Comber Job and has been there since.

Mr. Kelly has four sons and two daughters: Patrick, Jr., of the Experimental Department, Gerald of the Bolster Job, Kearn of the Foundry, Maurice of the White Construction Company, and Irene and Sheila who are employed in Worcester.

Mr. Kelly says, "I used to play the accordion on the square in Ireland, where the folks kept rhythm to the square dance." Pat still plays the accordion and recently purchased a new one. He gets great satisfaction watching boxing and baseball on his television set.

To these two sons of Ireland we say—God bless you and many more years of happiness.

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

"Beano" Belanger is a cook at Camp Edwards. He has gained 30 pounds which goes to show his own cooking agrees with him. . . . Harry Freeman's son, Billy, is home from Japan. Another son, Harry, Jr., is in Honolulu. . . . Two recent visitors were Jim Buckley, and "Red" Trainor. Jim is at Sheppard Air Base and "Red" is at Randolph Field, Texas.

Congratulations to Michael Powers who recently received his 25-year pin and to Donald Simmons who received his 10-year pin. . . . Herb Erickson has a parakeet. He has fun trying to teach it to talk. . . . Eddie Osiecki's dog had four puppies. . . . The Jake Sohigians enjoyed a wonderful evening at the Ice Capades. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sizer who celebrate their sixth anniversary on February 15. . . . We welcome back John Campbell who has been out on sick leave.

Our ardent sportsman, Art Jacobs, had quite an experience while ice fishing recently. All was going smoothly until another fisherman broke through the ice. Jake thought that was a big joke. Very shortly after someone else broke through the ice—guess who? Jake should remember the expression, "He who laughs last laughs best."

Answers to Geography Quiz:

1. England; 2. Ireland; 3. Germany; 4. Brazil; 5. Greece; 6. Peru; 7. Switzerland; 8. Australia; 9. Japan; 10. Holland; 11. Puerto Rico; 12. Bolivia; 13. Union of South Africa; 14. Chile; 15. Trinidad.

Edward S. Alden, Vice-President and Treasurer, dies at Wellesley home

The Whitin Machine Works and the town of Whitinsville suffered a grievous loss when Edward S. Alden, vice-president and treasurer, died suddenly at his Wellesley Hills home on January 12. He had been connected with the Whitin Machine Works since 1918, serving as comptroller, assistant treasurer, director, treasurer, and vice-president. Prominent in town activities, he was a director and vice-president of the Whitinsville National Bank, a trustee and member of the board of investment of the Whitinsville Savings Bank, and for many years a member of the prudential committees of the Village Congregational Church and of the Whitinsville Social Library.

Born in 1888 in Hyde Park, on the outskirts of Boston, Mr. Alden was educated in the Hyde Park schools and was graduated from Bryant and Stratton in 1905. He was in the employ of The United Drug Company for eight years, later was the first treasurer of the Liggett Drug chain, and was connected with the Scovell Wellington Company in Boston. When Whitin modernized its accounting methods in 1918 he was chosen to direct the general accounting system.

Memories of Mr. Alden will long be treasured by his associates at the Whitin Machine Works who extend their heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family in their bereavement.

SPINDLE JOB

by Edward Bates

Personality: William Crossland was born in Mossley, England, and resided there until 1920 at which time he came to Whitinsville. Bill's first work here was with Mr. Frank Bates, foreman of the spinning floor. He has worked on the Needle Job also before coming to his present work on Department 439, Inspection. I am glad to be able to report the following lodges and posts of which he is a member since coming to the U.S.A. They are as follows: past master, Granite Lodge, A.F. & A.M.; past commander, Whitinsville Post Canadian Legion, Past Grand IOOF MU; member, St. Elmo Chapter R.A.M.; member, Royal and Select Masters; member of Dekamus Chapter O.E.S. and Worthy Patron; and past chancellor, George Draper Lodge, K. of P. William is married, has two sons, both of whom work in the Whitin Machine Works. Bill likes gardening very much, enjoys reading, and owns his own home.

William Crossland, inspector in Department 439, is the Personality for February

On the night of December 22, Arthur King and his mystery partner challenged Joe Gulino and Chet Jones to a cribbage match to take place that night at Jim's Inn at eight o'clock. When eight o'clock rolled around Chet Jones and Joe Gulino had arrived at the scene of the match but King had not arrived with his partner. A phone call to the King residence was made. He was there doing the washing and could not leave. Mr. Jones and Mr. Gulino have decided if any more matches are to be made, they will be arranged through the wives of the challengers with a guarantee that there will be no washings done on that night.

Henry Morey returned to work on December 22 after being out sick several weeks.

On December 24, 1952, John Lamont received his 40-year pin; those present were: Mr. Bolton, Mr. Pierson, Mr. Cunningham, and Mr. Fournier. Also in December the following received service pins: Albert Bishop, 15 years; Francis Martin, John Eustace, Margaret Devlin each received 10-year pins.

Thomas Fitzpatrick, who has retired, was in to visit us December 29. Arthur Clark, also retired, was in to visit during the month of December.

SPINNING FLOOR, CARD ERECTING AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

Kazar Naroian, our Personality of the Month, received his 40-year pin recently from the plant officials. Born in Armenia, he came to this country and began work here in 1912. Kazar recalls that when he began work in Department 448 Mr. Whipple was the superintendent, Mr. Thomas Crompton was the foreman, and Mr. Bates was the assistant foreman.

He first worked on separator rods, then operated all types of machines, and in 1918 became the supervisor of the small machine section, a position he still has. In 1932 additional processes were placed under his supervision.

Kazar lives at 67 Church Street in the house he purchased in 1942. His son Ira, assistant foreman of Department 427, his daughter-in-law, his granddaughter Barbara Lee, and his son Edward, a teacher, live with him. An eager sports fan, Kazar also enjoys gardening and improving his property.

Albert Bowyer has received his 25-year pin. Born in England, Albert worked for Platt Brothers for eight years before coming to the United States in 1923. Four years later he joined the Whitin Machine Works. Albert and Mrs. Bowyer, who live at 25 Fairlawn Street, have a daughter Hilda and five grandchildren. He spends his spare

Congratulations are extended to Kazar Naroian, Spinning Floor, who was presented his 40-year service pin last month. He was born in Armenia and came to Whitinsville in 1912

time fishing, gardening, and amusing his grandchildren.

Louis Whitten has moved to 9 Grove Street and for the first time is close enough to his place of work to get home for his noon meal. . . . Robert Roy, James Eastwood, and James Hagan have received their five-year pins. . . . Ray Roche is lucky. He not only became the father of a baby boy but also won a huge turkey for Christmas.

Harry Cornell is long overdue for mention in the SPINDLE. Members of the police force report that while investigating a prowler on Fletcher Street at 3:00 a.m., they found Harry trying to open his frozen door with a fingernail file. He works in his uncle's diner until about that hour.

STOCKROOM 406

by John Mahoney

This month's Personality is Leonard J. White, who works as one of the stock attendants at Department 406. He and Mrs. White reside on Overlook Street, and have one son, Leonard, Jr., who is attending Junior High School.

"Whitey" started work here in November, 1939. He left in June of 1944 to offer his services to Uncle Sam. He served in the Navy for three years and was rated G.M. 3/c. Some of his ribbons are: the American Theater Ribbon, the Asiatic Theater Ribbon, and the Philippine Ribbon with two stars. After his discharge he returned to the Shop. However, as a member of the reserves, he was called back into the service in November of 1950 and served for two more years. This time he received the Good Conduct Medal, and the Occupation of Japan, Korea, and United Nations Ribbons. He returned to the Shop on October 27, 1952.

To you, "Whitey," we'd like to say, "Welcome back, and the very best of luck to you."

Leonard White, Department 406, is the Stock Room personality this month. This picture of Len was taken during World War II while serving with the U. S. Navy

Our welcome mat is out this month to: Beverly Bratt, Marie Lavallee, and Mrs. Barnett, who have joined our office staff. Also to: Joseph Chevrette, as our new receiving clerk, and "Jerry" Lawrence, who has returned recently from the Service. Another welcome goes out to Winifred Salo, who recently joined us from Department 406A, and to Ida May Snay, who took Winnie's place.

Grace LaMarco left us a short while ago to await the arrival of Mr. Stork. Just to let you know, Grace, that we miss you and wish you the very best of luck. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard J. White, who celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary on January 21. They held an Open House Party. . . . Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Chevrette, who celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary on January 28. . . . Two of our men were awarded 10-year pins recently. Congratulations to "Mike" Hekemian and Walter Aslanian. . . . The girls in our office held their Christmas party at Ye Olde Oyster Cabin, and from the reports that I've heard, a good time was had by all. . . . Marguerite Londergan recently wore her old blue sneakers to work.

Dorothy Spencer, time clerk in Department 450, is the Personality of the Month. She is shown with her granddaughter Barbara Wallace

I recently had the opportunity to hear a recording made by Larry Sarafian and the orchestra he plays in. This recording was made by our own "Disc Jockey" Harold E. Adams. I must say that they are very talented—they sounded like "Guy Lombardo and His Royal Canadians."

DR. SZALOKI JOINS RESEARCH STAFF

The Whitin Research Division, already one of the leading centers of textile research, has recently been further strengthened by the addition to its staff of Research Engineer Dr. Zoltan Szaloki, a native of Hungary. Dr. Szaloki, a textile expert, received his degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Technical University in Budapest where he later held the position of Assistant Professor of Textiles.

He has held many positions in the textile industry and had been associated with such leading firms as Zellweger A.G., Uster, Switzerland, and Platt's, the English textile machinery makers. At Platt's, which he joined in 1949, he was Chief Development Engineer and Technical Director.

Dr. Szaloki is married and has two children, Zoltan Robert, age 14, and Jelka Olga, age 12. The Szalokis reside on High Street in Whitinsville. Dr. Szaloki's hobbies include tennis, skiing and hunting.

TIN CYLINDER JOB

by Wilbur Baird

Mrs. Dorothy A. Spencer, our Personality of the Month, has been our time clerk for the past four years. Born in Bradford, England, Dorothy landed at Boston on November 2, 1922, and six years later received her final papers as a naturalized citizen of this country.

MYSTERY PHOTO—You should have recognized George Vincent, of the Milling Job, last month. Can you identify the man on the right?

She enjoys spending the summer vacations camping out in the mountains, caring for her garden, and baking in her kitchen. She has one daughter, Ethel, who is the wife of Edward Wallace. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace and their children live with Mrs. Spencer in Plummers Park, Whitinsville.

Albert Cupka has been transferred to Department 436 for a few weeks. We hope that business conditions will soon warrant his return here. . . . Marian Tszcinka, inspector, has been transferred to Department 446. We hope he likes his new assignment. . . . We again welcome Carl Nyquist to our department. This is the third time he has worked with us as inspector.

Our sweeper, Joseph Bedard, was out sick about two and a half weeks around Christmas time. He worked four days in the new year, and now is sick again. We hope he will soon be back again working with us.

Here are the addresses of two of our boys who are now serving their country and who would like to receive letters:

P.F.C. Kenneth J. Guertin, U.S. 11174241, "C" Bt'ry 6th, Armd. Fa. Bn., Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and ABC Herbert Blair, AF 11248161, 3595th Food Service Squadron, Nellis Air Force Base, Las Vegas, Nev.

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

Our Personality of the Month is Alice Dionne, who has been with the Company almost 20 years doing the same work—inspecting spinning rings for flaws and defects after turning. She was born in Whitinsville and attended the public schools here. She is married to one of the Dionne boys, Alfred by name, and it seemed at one time she had relatives all over the department. She is a member of the girls' bowling team of the department. She likes to play the piano if one is handy. Tatting and television are her other hobbies. She and her husband lived on Church Street until space was needed for business enterprises then they moved to Linwood Avenue.

Jim Gusney, with 40 years' service, and Joe Morin, with 30 years, were appropriately presented with pins by Mr. J. Hugh Bolton, Mr. Erik O. Pierson, and Mr. John H. Cunningham on December 24. Congratulations from your fellow workers and we wish you many more years of activity.

We wish to welcome back Carol McCrea and Theresa Creasia. Carol, while not with Department 437, has taken up with Mr. Murch's office force. Theresa has returned from an extended leave of absence.

The season for making holes in the ice and dropping a line through is with us. There are some good-sized pickerel at Whitin Reservoir in Douglas for those who like that kind of thing.

CORE ROOM

by Francis Shugrue

Zeigi Buczyneski has bought a 1953 Chevrolet. . . . Jack Sharkey has returned to our room following his discharge from the Army. . . . Sonny O'Donnell is on the sick list and we wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Joe Lucier is all worked up about the coming fight between Kid Gavilan and Chuck Davey. . . . The Core Room gourmands are planning a steak supper to be held at Belval's Cafe in North Uxbridge. No date has been set as yet. Twenty-five men are expected to partake of this feast. . . . Can't think of anybody who likes turkey as well as Henry Baker does. . . . Louis Bilodeau had a flat tire on the way to work recently. He changed the flat, put on the spare, and came to work. He didn't notice that the tube of the flat tire was curled around the axle until after work.

John Julian came strolling into work during the recent snowstorm with only one rubber on his shoe. When the matter was called to his attention he said that he started out from home with two rubbers on his shoes and that he must have lost one in a snowbank. So that night he purchased a new pair only to have his dog chew up the right one. The one he had lost in the snow also was for the right foot. Anyone interested in two left rubbers, please contact John Julian.

Ronny Emery also bought a new pair of rubbers. He went to put them on after work and couldn't find them because Bill Ridley had taken them by mistake and started for home without discovering his error. . . . Amede Ledoux had to lead Ovilla Brooks by the hand to work after the recent storm. Brooks couldn't start his car so he walked a mile to Amede's house and asked him if he would break trail for him to reach the bus. It is my pleasure to report that both reached work safely.

Robert Holmes, assistant foreman of Department 445, and Mrs. Holmes, recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. From the left: Robert Holmes, Phyliss Holmes, Mrs. Margaret Holmes, and Betty Holmes

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

Ray Blizard, our repairman, has been playing Santa Claus for all his nephews and nieces for many years but unfortunately he was found out this year. . . . William Pare, Henry Gervais, and James Martin all received 30-year pins this past month. Louis Paul and Jake Frankian received their five-year pins. . . . Leo Pare, son of William Pare, was recently discharged from the U. S. Navy after a four-year hitch. He had been an electrician on airplanes. . . . Speaking of boys in the service, Doria Boulanger has three sons in the Armed Forces: Pfc. Edward, on Okinawa; Pfc. Wilfred, in Denver; and Pfc. Emile at Boston. Two other sons were recently discharged from the U. S. Navy: EW 3/C Adelard and MM 3/C Bernard. Another son Gerard served in World War II. Some record I would say.

We are happy to hear that Leo Bouley's wife is feeling much better and is home after an operation. . . . Albert Houle was chairman of an installation committee for the Progressive Club in Linwood. . . . Louis Paul, our timekeeper, recently bought a foreign made car known as an M.G. Please don't anybody insult him by calling it a kiddy car. . . . We wish to extend a hearty welcome to Bernard Gately who was formerly associated with the H & B Company. . . . Miss Harriette Malkasian, formerly of the Bolster Job, was recently married to Ray Arbogast of Green Bay, Wisconsin.

BLACKSMITH SHOP

by Romeo Tellier

The Blacksmith Shop's Personality of the Month is Walter Knapik who has been a member of Department 409 since May 30, 1942. He is noted for the fast work he does trucking for the Blacksmith Shop.

Walter was born in Farnumsville on June 20, 1911. He and Mrs. Knapik were married five years ago and now make their home at 37 Winthrop Street, Clinton. Both Walter and Mary enjoy their sidelines of raising chickens and growing a garden.

Carl Anderson received his 25-year pin on December 24, 1952.

PICKERS AND DRAWING

by Syd Miedema

Service pins were presented Edmond Ratte and Wilfred Bromley, both having completed five years at Whitin.

Our new clerk in No. 16 Crib is Harriet LaFleur. We are sure she will find a pleasant welcome here.

After making his home on one side of A Street for 35 years, on December 23, Arthur Leavitt hired a truck from a Worcester moving company and moved his furniture across the street. Arthur's greatest trouble now seems to be in finding storage for all his canned chicken, which he gets from Maine every fall, and for all his canned vegetables, which are harvested from his large garden at Prentice Corner. Maybe some of his friends will come to relieve him of a few dozen jars.

Walter Knapik is the Blacksmith Shop's Personality of the Month. Shown with Walter is his nephew Peter and his dog Skippy

Mrs. Mary Lefton, office janitoress, is shown with her two daughters, Ann Mecolondwo and Olga Cumberland and her two grandchildren

Two scrapers on the Pratt and Whitney grinder, Ernest Vandal and Francis Lockwood, were presented five-year service pins.

Our setup man for the last nine years, Henry Hall, better known as "Heinie," has left the Shop to operate his machine shop on Massasoit Avenue, Millbury. We wish him success in his new venture.

Hector Sauve, former night supervisor at Department 426, has taken over as setup man in our department and I'm sure will receive the cooperation of the boys in the department.

Our friend, Joe Gervais, is now home from the hospital and is up and around although he is still a little weak. I'm sure Joe will appreciate a visit from his fellow workers.

GEAR JOB

by Irene Kalvinek

Congratulations are extended to Harry Chase and William Goss who have received their five-year pins. . . . Birthday greetings to R. Tancrell, Pete Youngsma, and Roland Champagne. . . . We welcome Robert Parisean, Frank Loader, and Joseph Monfreda to the Gear Job.

On her way to work during the first snowstorm this year, Beatrice Gervais stopped her car and stepped out to remove the ice from her windshield. As she did the door of her car shut and locked. While Beatrice stood in the cold studying the situation, the heater in the car continued to pour forth heat, and the motor started to race to the accompaniment of the music on the radio. With the help of a co-worker Beatrice finally procured another set of keys and was able to proceed to the Shop.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

by Aileen Blakely

Recently the following people received service pins from Mr. J. Hugh Bolton, Mr. Erik Pierson, and Mr. John Cunningham: 30-Year Pins—Walter Kapolka, John Ebbeling; 25-Year Pins—Bert Schotanus, William Scott, Joseph Chyselski, Richard Davidson, Ernest Leonard, James Davis.

A speedy recovery is wished to George Witcher who was at the Whitinsville Hospital during the Christmas holidays and who is now recuperating at his home. Another well-liked and well-known fellow, Jim Davis, is confined to his home with water on the knee. We all miss you, so do what the doctor orders and we'll be expecting you back soon.

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Kelley celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Congratulations and may you both enjoy many more years of happiness together.

By the time this goes to the press Frank Searles will be at his new headquarters in the cellar. His stockroom is now located next to Charles Higgins' Job and William Scott's Job. It looks pretty nice down there.

Pfc. Oscar Asadoorian, son of Margaret Asadoorian, is shown at one of the rest camps in Korea. Oscar is expected home next month

Fred Robertson, foreman of General Machining, piped at the Robert Holmes' 25th wedding anniversary

GENERAL MACHINING

by Jim Magowan

Personality of the Month is Ken Harrington, who was born in Stafford, Conn., in 1906. He has been residing in the town of Auburn for the past 35 years. He received his education in the elementary schools of Auburn and at South High of Worcester.

He started boxing at the age of 17 but gave it up to play baseball. He has played 10 years of semi-pro ball in New York with the "Bushwicks" of Brooklyn, at that time one of the best semi-pro clubs in the country. His playing days ended when he was injured while practicing with a teammate who was trying out for the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Ken married a New York girl, Rose M. LaMonte. They now have two daughters, Janice, 18 years old, and Joyce who is 13 years old.

Ken came to work at Whitin before World War II and left after the war started. He returned after the war and has been here for the past six years.

His outside activities are numerous. At present he is president of the Auburn Bowling League, president of the Auburn Little League, junior vice-commander of the State Guard Veterans, a member of the Joel H. Prouty Lodge, A.F. & A.M., and a member of the Auburn Sportsman Club. His hobby is teaching his Little Leaguers how to play baseball.

Birthdays were celebrated this month by Leon Gauvin and Matt Krajewski. Many happy returns.

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

Joseph Guidi, Foundry office clerk who is our Personality of the Month, has been employed here for the past three years. He was born in Milford, Mass., on July 2, 1923, attended the Milford schools, and graduated from Becker College, Worcester. During World War II he spent three years in the Army, serving in Europe. On September 21, 1946, Joe married the former Theresa Lucchesi of Milford. Mr. and Mrs. Guidi and their daughter, Linda Marie, live at 17 Court Street, Milford. Joe's hobbies are music and sports.

We want to congratulate the following men who were recently presented their 30-year service pins: Lee Allen, Gene Roy, and Sam Donerian. The presentations were made by Mr. J. Hugh Bolton, Mr. Erik O. Pierson, Mr. John Cunningham, and Mr. Raymon F. Meader.

Congratulations also to the following men who were presented their five-year pins by Mr. Raymon F. Meader, foundry superintendent: Joseph A. Augustynski, Edward G. Gwozdouski, Theodore H. Holewa, Leonard G. Plasse, Alfonso Chattman, George J. McCouley, George L. Morande, Gerald F. Rutherford, Bruno J. Baril, Armand E. Beaudry, James King, Andre Lessard, Peter J. Orlando, and Ralph Levesque. . . . We want to welcome back the following people who are back with us after recovering from recent injuries: Lillian Boivin, Mike Ovian, and Nish Etonian.

The following men and women attended a Christmas party in the foundry production office on December 24: R. F. Meader, R. A. Hanson, L. R. Veau, J. Checchi, W. J. Pendergast, J. N. Guidi, J. F. Maffia, A. Mancini, R. Hoisington, R. Levesque, Flora Boucher, Thelma Daubney, and E. Joseph. They were served a buffet lunch and joke gifts were exchanged. They were presented their gifts by Arthur Broadhurst. . . . Another Christmas party took place also on December 24 in the Sand Laboratory in the atmosphere of a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. Those attending were: Ida Flinton, Peg Sweeney, Fred Dexter, Gerald Markhard, Robert C. Walker, George Aspinwall, Louis Veau, Earl Robbins. A lunch was served and gifts exchanged.

There will be a familiar face that will be missed in the Foundry by his many friends. Patrick "Pat" Togin retired December 31 after being employed for 35 years in the Whitin Machine Works. For all but the last nine years of that time Pat worked in the Foundry as a molder working on the doffer floors and side floors. He has been working as a foundry maintenance man for nine years. We want to wish Pat all the health and good fortune in the world in his retirement. Your many friends here will miss you, Pat.

William Bergeron, machine operator on Department 414, and Mrs. Bergeron are the proud parents of the largest family in Uxbridge. The children's ages range from four months to 11 years

We want to extend our wishes for a fast recovery to the following men: George Harding, Oscar Andonian, and M. Ovian. . . . We want to welcome the following side floor molders who recently joined us: Charles Patterson, Gerald Desrosier, Armand Julien, Henry Borowy, and John C. Saulen. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Salome who celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary on January 2. They have three children: a daughter, Alice-Rosemary, and two sons, John, Jr., and James. They make their home in Woonsocket, R. I. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoisington who celebrate their 12th wedding anniversary February 15. Bob is a foundry supervisor who started in the Foundry 13 years ago as an apprentice molder. They have four children: three daughters, Carol, Lynn and Sally, and one son, Robert.

MILLING DEPARTMENT

by Marie VanderBaan

Leonard Baldwin received his 30-year pin from Mr. Hugh Bolton, Mr. Erik Pierson, and Mr. John Cunningham. Congratulations, Baldy, we hope you are with us for many more years. . . . The following employees recently received their five-year pins: Chester W. Roaf, Francis J. Bigbie, John Steakelum, Joseph S. Rock, Martin Tancrell, Edward C. Bell, and Laurence C. Southwick.

Next time Orrin Marshall reaches for a paint brush that is slipping off his automobile seat we hope he leaves the fire hydrants on Church Street upright. Better come to a full stop, Mr. Marshall, before you reach again.

Birthday greetings go to: Henry Sulham, Chester Roaf, Louis Gaucher, Lawrence Moreau, Arthur Ballou, Leonard Baldwin, Olivene Vallee, Anna Carlson, John Quigley, William Forsythe, Donald Lyford, Louis Martin, William Proflitt, and Dorothy Seagraves.

P.F.C. Walter Ludvigson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ludvigson of the Milling Job, arrived home as a surprise on Thursday evening, January 15, at the same time as his dad returned home from work. Walter is now a civilian and when asked what he wanted to eat replied, "No rice or fruit salad." He and his folks have purchased a new Chevrolet.

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

After some months' absence from the SPINDLE, the Wood Pattern Shop will be represented again. With a little assistance from the boys maybe we can stay in print this time.

Our Personality of the Month is Archie L. Fournier. Born in Hartford, Conn., December 5, 1884, Archie now lives in Whitinsville on Woodland Street. Archie has had five children, of whom two boys and two girls are still living, and 10 grandchildren including one set of twins.

His first work was in the tobacco fields during school vacation. He planted it, setting it out by hand at first and then later by machine—two boys to a machine. During the summer he cultivated it, later in the fall it had to be cut, lathed, racked, and cured. The tobacco was then removed from the racks and laths, the leaves stripped from

"Tony" Marteka who works on the Roll Job reports that his garden in back of the ponds has suffered serious damage at the hands of vegetable rustlers. He is making good progress in his attempt to raise a strain of watch-dog spuds to defend his property

Archie Fournier, Wood Pattern Shop, is this month's personality. He has been with Whitin for 43 years

the stalks and baled. Archie has worked on all these processes for several years.

The next project he undertook was wood pattern making. He served his apprenticeship at Pratt and Whitney in Hartford, Conn. He then worked at his trade successively in the following places: Topping Brothers Pattern Shop and Corbin Motor Company, both in Hartford, then in Bridgeport, Conn. at Eaton, Coe and Burnham and back to Hartford at Hartford Pattern and Model Company. Arriving at Whitin Machine Works on July 5, 1907, he worked until September, 1909, when he left for Hartford again. There he worked at Columbia Motor Vehicle Company until the company failed, through no fault of Archie's we're sure, when he went to Anderson's Job Shop. October 5, 1910, he returned here again where he has taken root for the past 43 years. He's the second oldest on the Wood Pattern Job in point of service. John Vanderzee, the foreman, is the oldest in service.

Among his hobbies Archie lists: clock repairing, toy making, billiards, golfing and, in his younger days, bicycle racing. He has raced with such notables as the "Gold Dust Twins" of Central Club in New York, and more familiar to the townspeople, the late Jack Flynn and James Magill who is now in California. Any bicycle race around these parts more than likely included Archie Fournier among the contestants.

Jury duty seems to be prevalent with us. A couple of months ago Ralph Houghton was playing tag with us. His session was in Boston. More recently, Lawrence Gilmore has been appearing in Worcester for jury duty during most of January and part of February. . . . Pvt. Ralph Houghton, Jr., was home for the holidays. Ralph, Sr., and Mrs. Houghton drove him to New York when his leave was up. Next stop San Francisco—then Tokyo. Best of luck, Ralph.

Department 401 was well represented at the recent Glee Club Concert. Two of our men, James Ferguson and Robert Shaw, are members of the club and another, Patrick McGovern, in charge of properties. Among the capacity crowd attending were several members of the Job and their wives. The consensus was that the concert was excellent.

METAL PATTERNS

by William Prior

Our Personality of the Month is Ernest M. Payson, a real old-timer of our department who has reached the age of 68 years. Ernest started working in the plant in 1902 at the Comber Job. After a few years there he transferred to Department 402 under C. M. Stuart. Ernie, now in his 37th year at the Whitin Machine Works, was born in the town of Warren, Maine, and now lives on C Street in Whitinsville. He has a daughter, Ruth. Ernest enjoys reading and sports.

Pat Goggin has decided to retire. We in Department 402 will miss Pat's Irish way. Pat was born in Ireland some 68 years ago. He worked in the Foundry for many years as a moulder, then in 1943 came to 402. We wish Pat Goggin many happy days ahead. . . . Frank Swicrad has left us for the Air Force. Frank worked nights on our Foundry Maintenance crew. . . . Henry Martin recently received his 10-year pin and Louie Stimpson his 25-year pin.

What's this about Karl Rankin telling Bob Caston that he could get him a nice flatiron for his wife's Christmas present for only $16.95? Two weeks later the same iron costs only $11.00. Why Karl, how could you? . . . Bob Caston and Andy Frieswick have taken up snow shoveling. The price is right, fellows! . . . Bud Martin has discovered that Linwood is the new Sun Valley of New England. The boys downstairs tell me that Bud reported a temperature of 78 degrees there at noon, January 14. . . . Sorry to hear Bill Belanger had an accident with his new Dodge. Hope it isn't bad, Bill.

Cpl. Raymond Shugrue, son of Foundry Supervisor Frank Shugrue, has returned to his base after spending a few days with his parents. Frank has six sons in the Armed Forces

Ray Pariseau, Department 437, and Bill Damour, Department 426, are stationed in Alaska. They expect to be there for the next 24 months

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

The Personality of the Tool Job for February is Walter Lawton, repair man. He was born in Millbury, Mass., attended the Millbury schools, and then went to Worcester Boys' Trade School. In 1949 he became president of the Worcester Boys' Trade School Alumni. His first place of employment was in the plant of Lapointe Machine Tool in Hudson. He later worked in the Millbury Felt Mill, Watson Williams, and Rice-Doby Chain, all of Millbury. Walt came to Whitin Machine Works 19 years ago and worked on the Ring Job for a few years before coming to the Tool Job. He married Mabel Pelletier, a Whitinsville girl, January 2, 1929. They have a son, Walter, Jr., now in the U. S. Air Force.

Sidney Baker, small tool supervisor, received his 30-year pin recently. Sid worked five years on the Metal Pattern Job before being transferred to the Tool Job. He has worked on the Tool Job ever since, outside of the depression years in the early '30s. During those years he worked a few months on a lot of different jobs in the plant. . . . Maynard "Mike" Feddema and William Hall each received their 25-year pins. Mike worked on the Roll Job and then went out to the Midwest for a few years before returning to Whitin Machine Works. He worked on the Grinding Job for 14 years and then the Tool Job the last 10. . . . Bill Hall has worked more than 25 years in the Whitin Machine Works but his consecutive string was broken. . . . Howard Walker, jig maker, served the month of January on the jury of the Criminal Court in Worcester.

One morning Joe Richards, repair man, came out of the house with his keys in his hand all set to get the car out of the garage and go to work. As he hustled down the hill to the garage he slipped and slid quite a ways in the slush. He got wet, dropped his key, broke the key chain, and lost the keys in the slush.

The new man in the Cutter Grinding room on the day shift is Donat Lariviere who lives in Manville. He formerly worked on Department 433. . . . The new man in the Cutter Grinding room on the night shift is Ernie Adams who lives in Uxbridge. He formerly worked on the Spindle Job and the Uxbridge Worsted Co.

INSPECTION, JOBBING AND NEEDLE DEPARTMENTS

by William Ayotte

The annual Christmas party in the Inspection Department was a huge success; gifts were exchanged and Mrs. Walker prepared an excellent lunch. . . . This year the Needle Department held their first Christmas party and we understand it was enjoyed by everyone. We should have more of them, they do wonders for the morale. . . . We welcome to Department 489 Betty Young and Wallace Allen. . . . The day after Christmas Betty showed us that beautiful Bulova watch she received from her fiancé. . . . Clifford Chesley has been recalled into the Navy and is stationed at Camp Breckenridge, Maryland. Members of Department 489 presented Cliff with a purse when he left our employ. The department will miss his friendly smile. . . . Eva Brochu has returned from spending a week end visiting her son Robert, who is stationed at Sampson, N. Y.

Those who recently were presented service pins include: Miss Mary Melville, 25 years; Mrs. Wile, Mrs. Senecal, and Mrs. Potvin, 10 years; and William Ayotte, five years. Congratulations.

BOX JOB

by Bernice Werth

This month we welcome our new timekeeper, Caroline Salatiello, who has both a birthday and a wedding anniversary this month. We are glad to hear that our former timekeeper, Ann Wojtalik, likes her new job in the Cost Department. . . . We miss Bernice Taylor, former clerk and SPINDLE reporter for 440. Bernice is now working in the Lab at Research, and sends her "hellos" to the gang here.

We hear that the bowling team, captained by Ralph Nolet, and consisting of Mike Ovoian, Paul Grenon, Bill O'Brien, Zav Dagiamjian, and Leo Toosonian, hasn't been faring so well lately. Better go back to the Wheaties, boys!

Our sole recipient of birthday greetings this month is Paul Grenon. Many happy returns, Paul. . . . We understand that Ralph Nolet has a nice new home and that he and his wife did a lot of hard work on it. . . . What about all those New Year's resolutions? Are there any as yet unbroken? Here's one all of us can think about. An old carpenter once said, "The best rule I know for talking is the same as the one for carpentering—measure twice and saw once."

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Tad Wallace, Dorsey Devlin, and Gloria Carter

A surprise visitor to the office recently was Dottie (Manter) Doyle. Dottie now makes her home in Westerly, R. I., and dropped in to renew old acquaintances with her many friends here in the Production Office.

A chip off the old block is young Bill Kearnan, one of the stars of the Uxbridge High School basketball team. In a recent game, Bill tossed in 35 points, a good evening's work. Bill, Sr., was a better than average basketball player himself and must certainly have gotten a big thrill out of his son's performance. Says Bill, Sr., "I can still throw them up there like before—only I need to get into condition." *Reporters Note:* Bill, Sr., never threw any in for Uxbridge—it was always against the orange and black in his day.

Our bowling team is finally starting to make some progress. The fellows have climbed out of the cellar and maybe we can expect them to do some good bowling in the second half. At least the spirit is "tops" on this club. Manager Jack Gilchrist says, "We don't beat many teams but we certainly have as much fun as anyone does."

Did you know that "Lefty" Kellaher was once a good pitcher. . . . Andy Magill was a distance runner and competed in the Boston Marathon several times. . . . Harvey Deslauriers was a standout footballer for N.H.S. and the old Whitin Crusaders. . . . Sal Tumolo is a licensed barber in his spare time. . . . Harley Keeler played a lot of good basketball in his high school days. . . . Bill Lavallee was once manager of an A & P store. . . . Bernie Adams used to play saxaphone in bands and orchestras in this area.

The Production Office wishes to extend its greetings to the new members of the office force: Alta Campbell, Blanche Cassista, Katherine Lennox, and Patricia Opperwall. . . . Stella Stavinski and husband John of the Roll Job spent the Christmas holidays with her folks in Glen Oaks, Long Island, N. Y. . . . Mrs. Annie Mitchell has returned to California after two months' vacation with her son Harry Mitchell.

Foundry Notes: John Julian was the recent recipient of a 15-year pin. . . . Best wishes from all of Foundry Production Control to

A 3/C Roger J. Cahill, son of James Cahill, guard, is now stationed at Brooks Air Force Base, San Antonio, Tex.

anley Ziemba who has been out sick for me time.

Notes from No. 5: Phyllis Crosby has ansferred from No. 5 Crib to Hugh Currie's fice. . . . John Brennan has left us to ke a position with General Motors in ramingham. . . . New faces at No. 5 re Carl Bishop, Edward Jussaume, Sote ichola, Alfred Grennan, William O'Connor, rnest Lombardi, a former Milford police-an, and Joseph Carpenter. Madeline ean has returned from a leave of absence. . . . Emery "Kit" Tanner, supervisor of o. 21 Crib, is leaving soon to take up sidence in California.

Hugh Currie created a bit of mild excite-ent on New Year's Eve when he was seen arading down the main thoroughfare in ossession of a fair-sized jug. Anyone who ay have had some doubt as to what the ug contained, could have satisfied their uriosity by following Hugh to his car which as out of gas. It might be a good idea to ave Hugh's gas tank taken care of by he auditors.

Hank Manigan, who manages the Millville uintet, gets around quite a bit. He has ad several newspaper interviews and also as appeared in a radio sports program. e'll tell you that his greatest thrill was nocking off the highly touted Webster urplus Five. . . . Jackie Ratcliffe was ne of the interested spectators at the Holy ross-Notre Dame game in the Boston arden.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

by Peggy Beaudreau

Mario Bertone left us on December 26 o join his brother at Pratt and Whitney n Hartford, Conn. Mario was presented a purse of money for a farewell gift. We will iss Mario's cheerfulness and guinea grinders ery much in the Engineering Department, ut we all wish him the best of luck. Come nd see us, Mario, when you can.

On December 24 the girls of the Engineer-ng Department attended a Christmas party n the Engineering Department Conference Room. Lobster rolls, cake and cookies, otato salad, potato chips, coffee, pickles nd olives were enjoyed by the girls, and fter the meal gifts were exchanged. Every-one really had an enjoyable time. Joe Branigan took colored pictures of our party.

We again welcome Frank Newton to our department. Frank was transferred to the Linwood Section a while back. Shirley Zakarian, a former blueprint tracer, has taken Frank's position in drafting at Lin-wood, and Frank has again returned to the Engineering Department. Welcome, Frank, and so long and good luck, Shirley.

Congratulations to Wallace Meigs who was recently promoted to administrative engineer of the General Engineering Depart-ment. His new duties consist of the designing of department planning, the Masterlist Department, standardization, personnel and general engineering office management. Best of luck, Wally, you deserved this promotion.

Mr. Helland also has a new position. He now is chief product engineer of the General Engineering Department and is responsible for the direction and approval of the produc-tion design on all engineering projects. Con-gratulations to you, also, Mr. Helland.

The Twister men took Al Laucis to dinner at the Klondike Inn, Farnumsville, on January 15. Al left us on January 16 to take a position at Wyman-Gordon in North Grafton. Al received a purse of money from both the Engineering Department and the Drafting Room Benefit Association. Good luck, Al, and come see us when you have time.

January birthdays were those of Thelma Baker and Ray Boudreau. February birth-days are those of Wally Meigs and Janet Pieleski.

MASTER LIST DEPARTMENT

by Rensforth Yeo

We wish to welcome several new members to our department: Felix Youngsma as repair order analyst, Muriel Nichola and Eleanor Baker to the printing room, and Evans Bedigian as assembly analyst.

Birthday greetings to Gordon Boutilier, William Skillen, Bea Fior, and Rita Bail-largeon. Anniversary wishes to Felix and Gertrude Youngsma.

Ray Meader, twister specification analyst, has left the Master List Department for a position with Sikorsky Aircraft in Bridge-port, Conn. There was a farewell stag party held at the Klondike Inn in Ray's honor at which he was presented a purse from all his friends. Ray and his family were well liked and will be missed by all who asso-ciated with them. We wish them all success.

Les Benton is now specification analyst on twister machinery; Joe Roche, specifica-tion analyst on card machinery; Barry Judson is now working on cotton spinning ma-chinery; Lou Lucier now on repairs as repair order analyst; and your reporter is on spinning changeovers.

Jim McRoberts, specification analyst, is at Memorial Hospital in Worcester for observation and treatment. All of us wish Jim a speedy recovery and hope to see him back to work soon.

Warren Greene, spinning analyst, received a knee injury which necessitated an operation at Woonsocket Hospital. Although the operation was a success, there is a period of recuperation necessary. All of Warren's co-workers wish to convey their sympathy and hope that he will return to work soon.

Ray Kelliher, formerly of the Master List Department, dropped by to see his old friends while home on a furlough from the U. S. Air Force. . . . Roy Burroughs, printing supervisor, has purchased the home pre-viously owned by Ray Meader on Purgatory Road. . . . Les Benton is the proud owner of a fire engine red, hard top convertible Oldsmobile "98." Nice going, Les.

METHODS DEPARTMENT

by Jean Cunningham

Tippy Wiersma was presented his 30-year service pin by Mr. Bolton in December. Many more happy years with Whitin, Tippy.

Albert Lucier, Teletype operator in the Air Force, is now stationed in the Aleutian Islands. Albert's father works on the Paint Job

. . . Al Arterton's wife had a flat tire during one of the recent storms while driving alone about 1:00 a.m. She left the car and, in evening clothes, she walked about a mile to her home. When she arrived at home Al felt that he would like to get the car and the only answer was Herb Andrews. He called Herb and after explaining the situation Herb said he would gladly help a friend in need. Al thanked him and then waited. About 2:00 a.m. he gave up and went to bed. Next morning he asked Herb what had happened that he couldn't show up. Herbie was in the dark. He says, and I quote, "You never called me last night I know you didn't."

Earl Mason has found out that even the best drivers have to use a shovel once in awhile to get in and out of the garage after a snowstorm. . . . Don Hamblett has become quite a picture taking fiend since he received a new camera for Christmas. The boys say he is very good at upside down photos. . . . Jim Shaw feels pretty good riding around in his new car. Hope you enjoy it for a long time, Jim. . . . We hear George Shaw is enjoying his new T.V. set. Don't get too relaxed and let those late features get you George, it makes it very hard to rise in the morning. . . . Shirley Noble and her husband have just enjoyed a few days in New York. Shirley says she hopes to live in New York City some day. . . . We hope at this reading Helen Altoonian will be feeling fine again after her operation and be back with us. Helen always manages to find something to say that makes us laugh. We miss her very much.

Al Capone received a letter from Gil Harwood, formerly of Department 487, now in Tueson, Arizona. He and his family like Arizona very much—especially when they read about the freezing temperatures and all the snow. It was 89 the day Gil wrote his letter. He's planning on going swimming soon. . . . We want to wish success to

"Age of Innocence" and "Boy with a Rabbit" are examples of needlepoint work by Val Allega, Cost Department. Val's unique work decorates the homes of many of her friends

Bud Benner and George Bickford who left us to accept positions with other companies. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Frank DeHaas have taken into their home a little girl, Marilyn Benita, who was one year old January 20.

MAIN OFFICE

by Elia Dell'Orco

Hello, folks! This is your new news gatherer taking over for a while for Nellie DeVries who has left to take up household duties and Thelma Meader who is just taking a rest from the sometimes strenuous task of reporting.

Incidentally, I'm a little late but I've just got to mention the very nice time we all had at the Main Office Christmas party held this year at Chicken Pete's in Milford. About 50 congenial souls attended, feasted, and made merry, ably assisted by Esther Anderson at the piano, Jose Loredo's tape recorder and a few extra chords by Albert Callens. And speaking of feasting—mmm—I can still taste the cake and cookies the girls made for the party held at the office on Wednesday afternoon, December 24.

I'm sure you'll all be interested hearing that Priscilla Simmons Watson, formerly of Export Sales, has added something new to the family—Sue Ann, born on December 21, and gosh, I'll bet she's cute. . . . Oh, and guess what, May Hutcheson is now wearing the fraternity pin of Earl Seagrave of Pascoag, R. I. No plans, however, until he is released from Uncle Sam's Air Force. . . . A warm "welcome back" is extended to Eva O'Keefe who has been ill and to Gloria Marshall who has returned from a two-week vacation spent with her husband who has been home on leave. . . . From the reports we've been getting, Evelyn McNamara must surely have had a wonderful time on her recent trip to New York City. . . . A February fanfare for Agnes Kalousdian and Jim Graham who are celebrating their birthdays this month and for Roy Rollins, Margaret Guertin, and Bob Maynard on their wedding anniversaries.

COST DEPARTMENT

by Dick Hanny and Cleve Reynolds

Personnel changes continue. Leonard Lawrence, after only two weeks here in the department, left to accept a position in the accounting department at Butler Hospital, Providence, R. I. Paul Drolet decided that "Go West, young man" was for him and along with another party took off for Seattle, Wash., and Boeing Aircraft to seek his fortune. They planned to see all the interesting highlights of America along the Southern route. We wished him "Bon Voyage" a party held at Belval's Cafe. . . . Irene Marte who faithfully typed our SPINDLE news, h transferred to Payroll while Ann Wojta transferred from Payroll to replace h as Ray Colby's secretary.

Emily Quigley, of the Timekeeping Department, has completed 10 years of service in the Whitin Machine Works. She was a timekeeper on the Shell Job and the Magneto Job during World War II

New officers for the Friendship Fu elected for the coming year were: Chairma Frank Widor; secretary-treasurer, Hel Sitnik; directors, Helen Cotter, Margueri Turcotte, and Joe Krol. . . . Birthd wishes to: Ted Fronczak, Gordon Curtis, a Norman Deragon.

PAYROLL COMPUTATION, TABULATING, BUDGETS, STATEMENTS AND OFFICE TIMEKEEPING

by Edith Allen

Emily Quigley has just completed 10 year of employment in the plant. She began a timekeeper on the Shell Job but was soo transferred to the Magneto Job as one o the six timekeepers there. After the dis continuance of that department she spen some time in the Cost Department and late came into the Office Department of Time keeping. From this location she acts a substitute for absent timekeepers throughou the Shop and has attained much proficiency in this work in every department. Whe no timekeepers are absent she assists i various branches of the work in the office, showing the same efficiency and ability t fit into any spot.

She lives in Uxbridge where she cares for her home, is a member of the Grange, a Past Master and Past Lecturer, and also a member of Pomona State and National Grange. She also belongs to the Legion Auxiliary, of which she is Past President and present Secretary. In her spare time crocheting, auto trips, radio and television are her hobbies.

Her husband, Matthew Quigley, formerly employed in Department 411, is well known throughout the community, not only for his theatrical ability, but also as a friendly, interesting person, and an all-around good sport.

Payroll Computation welcomes Nancy Todd, Irene Marteka, Evelyn Maxiarka and Caroline Salatiello to their group. Budgets Department welcomes Joyce Peck.

Bertha Bernier of Payroll Computation and F. Merwin Brown, supervisor of Timekeeping have birthdays in February. . . . Edith Bishop of Tabulating Department made a trip, with friends from Hopedale and Boston, to North Conway, N. H., where they enjoyed some delightful skiing. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jasmin (Joan of Tabulating) celebrated their first wedding anniversary on February 1.

From Korea: One of our boys in the Service wrote home after Christmas: "Thanks for the box. Gee! did I enjoy the newspapers with items about news of home." Although the box contained several expensive gifts, the newspapers, possibly used only as wrapping, seemed to be what appealed to him most. Maybe more of us could wrap up something in late local newspapers and send a little enjoyment to a lonely boy in a far-away field.

Now the labourer's task is o'er;
Now the battle day is past;
Now upon the farther shore
Lands the voyager at last.
Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

John Ellerton

Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Survivors of Arnold Hill, 46, of the Treas-er's Department, who died suddenly on nuary 9. He had been employed at the hitin Machine Works since November . 1950.

Survivors of Samuel McKee, 81, who ssed away at his home at 28 High Street December 26. A resident of this com-nity for 50 years, he was employed by e Whitin Machine Works from January, 06, until his retirement on June 29, 1945.

Survivors of Frank E. Bates, for many ars foreman of Spinning Erecting, who ed on December 22 at the home of his ughter, Mrs. Walter Barrell, Hempstead, ng Island. He had been in failing health r several months.

Survivors of Patrick T. Duggan, 64, for years employed by the Whitin Machine orks, who died at the Whitinsville Hospital January 16. He served as foreman of the ipping Department for 20 years.

Clarence VanDyke, on the loss of his other, George, of Manchaug.

Charles Resan on the death of his father, tephen Resan. Burial took place in Wis-nsin.

Edward Milliken on the death of his other, Mrs. Edward Milliken.

Joseph Beaudoin on the death of his ther, Alfred Beaudoin.

Edward Allard on the recent death of his ther, Theodore Allard, who died January 1.

Beatrice Cotnoir, Production Department, was married to Arthur Meinville, Cost Department, St. Paul's Church, Blackstone, October 4

Mrs. Carl Rollins and Francis Rollins on the death of Carl Rollins, foreman's clerk in the Pattern Loft, who passed away January 18. He had been employed here for 21 years.

Mrs. Rose Proulx on the recent death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Isadore Nessier.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Sloan on the death of Mrs. Sloan's grandmother of Cranston, R. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Moorey on the death of Bob's brother in Auburn, Mass.

The family of John Lachapelle who recently suffered the loss of Mrs. Ellen Lachapelle. She died December 31, leaving her husband, five sons, four daughters, 27 grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Benner family on the recent death of Ira Achorn.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Campo, Jr., are the proud parents of a son, Michael, born in Whitinsville Hospital on December 26.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence VanDyke on the birth of a son, Howard, born on December 4. "Clausy" works at Department 406.

To Maurice Deshais, Department 429, and Mrs. Deshais, a son, Paul, born December 24, at Woonsocket Hospital.

To Bertrand Levitre, Department 429, and Mrs. Levitre, a son, Marcel, born January 8, at Woonsocket Hospital.

To Joseph Dymek, Tool Job, and Mrs. Dymek, a daughter, Deborah Ann, born December 25.

To George Moussette, of Department 446, and Mrs. Moussette, a son, David John, born at the Whitinsville Hospital on January 9.

To Lewis Burns (Main Office) and Mrs. Burns, a son, Lewis Milliken Burns, Jr., born on January 14, 1953.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Bangma on the birth of a son, Leonard William. Mrs. Bangma is the former Gladys DeYoung of Department 416.

To Chester Ryminski, Foundry, and Mrs. Ryminski, a daughter, Constance, born December 26.

To Ray Roche, 448C, and Mrs. Roche, a son, Raymond Thomas, at the Whitinsville Hospital on January 3.

To Raymond Chaharyn, 499, and Mrs. Chaharyn, a daughter, Carol Christine, in Providence, R. I., on November 29.

To Henry Ebbeling, Department 465, and Mrs. Ebbeling, a daughter, born January 18.

To Norman Jussaume and Mrs. Jussaume, a son, born January 1. Norman works at Department 465.

To Mr. and Mrs. Matt Krajewski, a daughter, Mary Ann.

To Lawrence Moreau, Department 416 and Mrs. Moreau, a daughter, Denise Pauline, born November 6.

To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Surowic, a daughter, born January 10.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gouin, a son, born January 17.

To J. Richard Conlee, Sr., assistant paymaster, and Mrs. Conlee, a son, David Francis, born December 1.

To Donald Lange, of Methods, and Mrs. Lange, a son, Jeffrey Donald, six pounds, three ounces, born at Whitinsville Hospital, January 16.

Marriages and Engagements

Marie Ebbeling, Department 416, was married to John VanderBaan, Sr., Department 446, on January 14 at the parsonage of the Christian Reformed Church.

Edward J. Plante, Wood Pattern Shop, engaged to Kathleen M. Bruno of East Douglas.

Mary Gibbons, Cost Department, engaged to Frank Flynn of Millville.

Marguerite Turcotte, Cost Department, engaged to John Cimoch of Webster.

Evelyn Ashton, Department 451, engaged to John Farrar who works with the steamfitters.

Alice Gadbois, Production Department, married to Raymond Boisvert, St. Mary's Church, Uxbridge, November 8

ON THE JOB
... as in Sports

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Familiar Faces

Around the Plant

Irwin W. Honny, Jr., Cost Department, was born in Whitinsville 33 years ago. He started at Whitin in 1940. He is married and his hobby is swimming

George Almasian, Department 405, came to Whitin in 1931. He is married, has a son in the Navy and a daughter. His favorite hobby is card playing

Sarah DerSarkision, Jobbing Department, started there 10 years ago. She was born and educated in Whitinsville. Her father works in the Blacksmith Shop

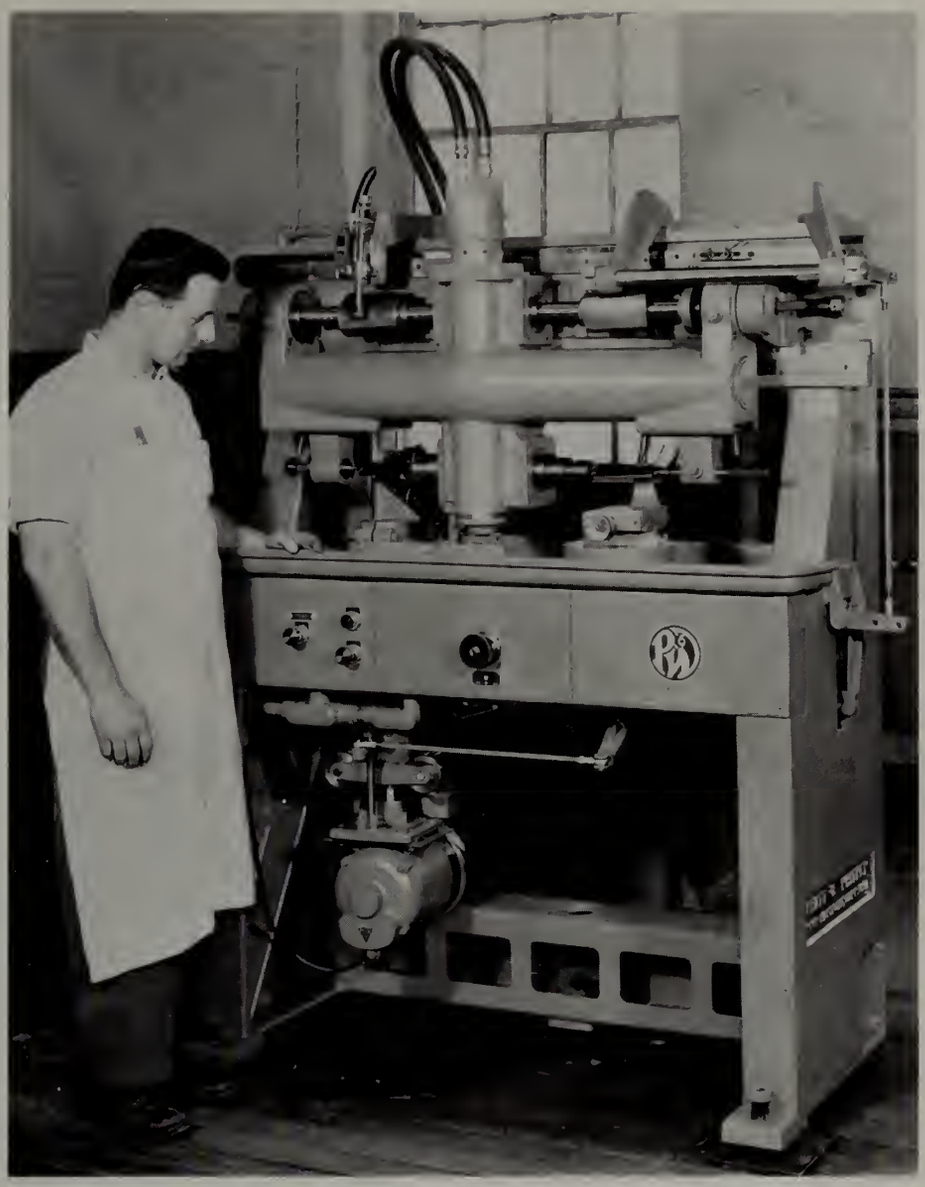
Frances Gansarcik, Production Department, came to Whitin five years ago. She lives in East Douglas. Her hobbies include dressmaking, dancing, and swimming

Armand Roberts, supervisor of Hermon machines in the Foundry and a competent SPINDLE reporter, has worked here 12 years. He has one son and lives in Uxbridge

Joseph Chabot, 418, is a veteran of World War I and a member of the American Legion. He was born in Whitinsville and has three daughters and one son

George Gigarjian has been an electrician in Department 470 for the past eight years. He is a native of Whitinsville. He is married and has one son

This is the first of many Pratt and Whitney grinders made by the Whitin Machine Works. Alfred Ledoux, shown with the machine, is one of five men from the Tool Job who assisted in its assembly



Whitin Skill Aids U.S. Air Force

When one of our jet fighters flashes across war-torn Korean skies, or when one of our strategic jet bombers with its payload of bombs roars in to its target at fighter speed, the performance of the plane depends on a miracle of modern engineering—the aircraft jet engine. The heart of that engine is a turbine turning at speeds and temperatures that test the strength of the best alloys our metallurgists have been able to make. It's a difficult task to shape the blades of that turbine, for they are shaped to exacting tolerances of tough light alloys able to stand terrific speed and intense temperatures.

Those engines have been tested in combat. The guns of our flyers have written a proud record in hostile skies, and in many cases two companies, Pratt and Whitney Division of Niles-Bement-Pond Company in West Hartford, and the Whitin Machine Works, may claim partial credit for that record. When engine manufacturers want the best in turbine blade grinders it is only natural that they should turn to Pratt and Whitney, whose turbine blade airfoil grinder is the only hydraulic, belt-type grinder on the market. It is equally natural that when Pratt and Whitney subcontracted the manufacture of this grinder they placed orders with Whitin, for we have the facilities and the men to do a quality job.

Our production lines will turn out 20 of these vitally needed machines each week. During their manufacture quality is constantly stressed. Not only is each

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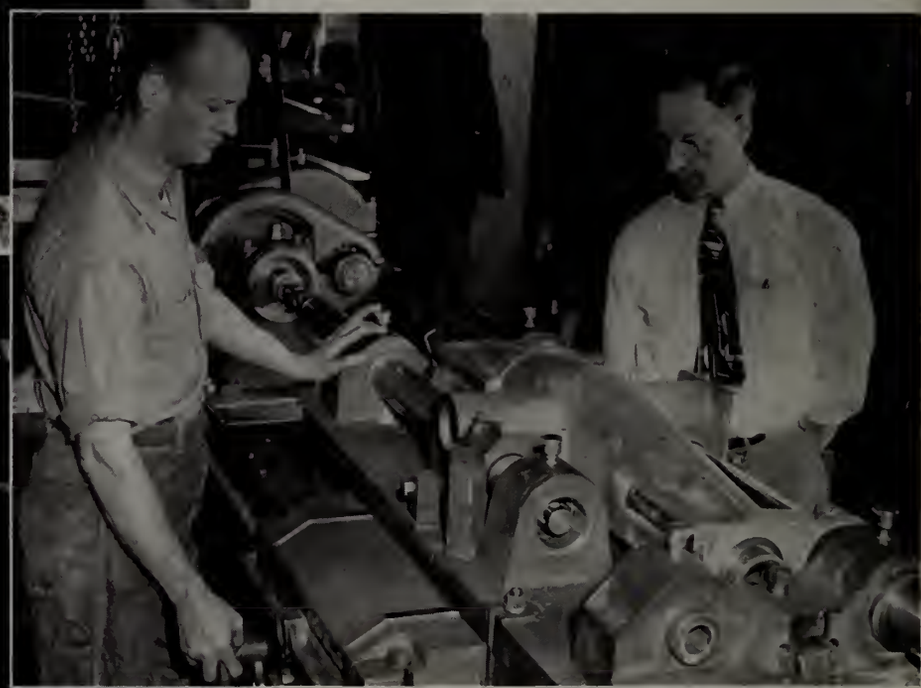
Above: Usually when you see a pretty girl looking in a mirror she is powdering her nose, but this time Grace Bedrosian is inspecting the tailstock centers after tramming or scraping. The tolerance here is plus or minus .002"

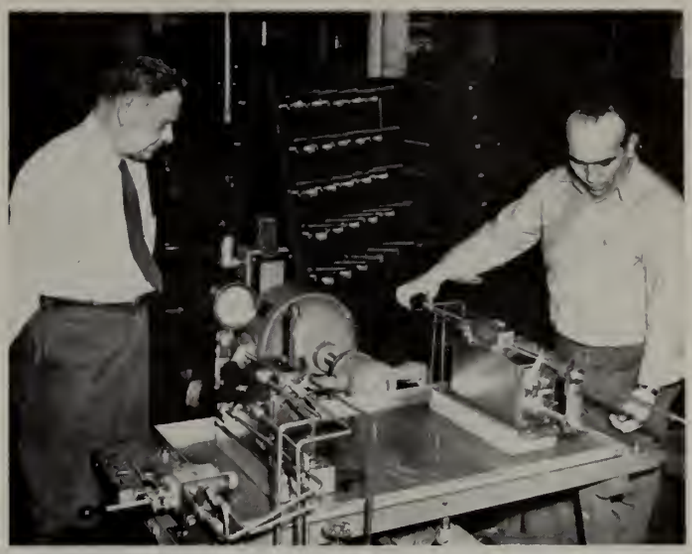
Upper left: This large radial drill, operated by Leonard Malboeuf, is drilling the end holes on the rear cross rail or girt



Above: Under the watchful eye of Foreman William Hartley, first-class lathe hand Joseph Szerlag operates a special machine built to bore the tandem holes in the work and model support. The tolerance on these holes is .0005"

Left: The walls of the holes in the hydraulic power cylinder must be accurate—no bell mouths, taper, or chambering is allowed. Stewart Jacobs is shown smoothing the cylinder walls with a portable hone

The nimble fingers of the workmen perform many operations on this short bench. From the left: Charles McCann fits the reverse-valve cylinder, Kirby Hall adds the front plate, Joseph Levesque fits the pilot-valve cylinder, and Amede L'Heureux inserts the pilot valve



Foreman Frederick Robertson looks on while Joseph Gniadek tests and adjusts completed hydraulic power cylinder assembly

Whitin Skill Aids U. S. Air Force (cont.)

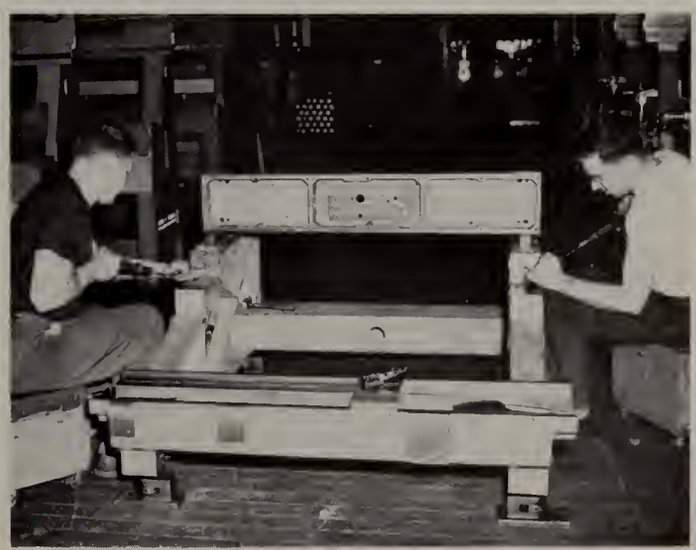
step of their manufacture carefully checked but each completed machine must undergo a rigorous 43-step inspection by Pratt and Whitney's resident inspector, Charles Kaselouskas, before it is accepted for delivery. This is essential, for the machine is complex and built to close tolerances. For example, a testing bar must run within .0006 of an inch at a distance of nine inches from the shoulder!

Basically, the Pratt and Whitney airfoil grinder is a hydraulically operated machine which utilizes abrasive belts—not for polishing—but for precision, stock removal grinding.

A hydraulic motor rotates two double-ended spindles, in the same direction and at the same speeds. Rotational speeds are variable from zero to 80 r.p.m. Mounted at the left end of the lower spindle is the blade to be ground, and at the right the airfoil master which controls the final shape of the blade. At the left end of the upper spindle a cam is mounted to control automatically the rotational speed; and at the right, another cam which, through a linkage, maintains the grinding belt surface always tangent to the blade surface.

Both the workers with metal and the workers with paper share the credit for our record in producing this grinder. So many men have shared in the work that it is impossible to give credit to all, yet mention must be made of the work of Richard Rawlinson, in charge of defense contracts, and his assistant, Harry Drinkwater, who have done the liaison work. George Estes was responsible for the industrial engineering and Albert

And now the separate parts begin to come together. From the left: Michael Ovian assembles the wave cam linkage bracket, Peter Andonian fits the ball track for the traverse slide, and Gordon Freitas checks two assemblies for alignment



Right: The dimensions of this frame are accurate to within .002". Scraper hands William Blanchette and John Hoyle, Jr., make certain that the grinder skeleton is perfectly fitted

Upper left: This object held by Harry Bedigian and Foreman Richard Williams is a jet engine compressor blade as ground on the machines we build for Pratt and Whitney

Lower left: The work and model spindles must have an operating speed range of 0–80 r.p.m. Here Camile Peloquin times an assembled grinder

Brouwer for the supervision of methods on this project, while Charles Brouwer, assisted by Donald Hamblett, has served as coordinator since the inception of this order. Much of the detailed supervision in the Shop has been done by Frank Martin.

The paper work of the estimators and draftsmen began in September of 1951. Before production could begin it was necessary to make 200 small-tool sketches, 350 major tool drawings, and 300 detailed drawings of component parts. As part of the tooling-up process the men in the Shop converted a surplus lathe into a special three-hole boring mill.

The actual manufacturing, as if to implement a national policy of having "both guns and butter," is done at several points within the plant without disturbing our regular production of top-flight textile machinery. For example, a major step is done in Department 421 where 16 men under Foreman William Hartley assemble the work and model support. This task involves delicate tramming and scraping work.

Up in Department 423 the men under Foreman Fred Robertson and Assistant Foreman Oliver Baker turn out a dozen sub-assemblies. Perhaps the most meticulous work is that done on the hydraulic power cylinder assembly which is bored, honed, assembled, and tested here. Other grinder parts made on this floor include wheel adapters, grinder-wheel heads, pulley-stud assemblies, follower-head assemblies, roll-adjuster slides, model-follower heads, and wave-cam roll assemblies.

The separate parts from Foundry and Shop come together on the Card Erecting Floor where Foreman Richard Williams, formerly assistant foreman of Department 444, heads a group of 23 workers. In this force are six scraper hands. Here the grinders are assembled. The initial step is to level up the base and to scrape certain surfaces to a tolerance of .002 inches. Then in swift succession the model-follower, grinder unit, and power cylinder are put in place and the ball tracks with 48 3/8 inch ball bearings installed. After this the traverse slide, top bracket, linkage arms, velocity control, and hydraulic piping are added, the machine is inspected, painted and then packaged. The sturdy crate is built around a base of seven 4 x 6 timbers to which the grinder is securely bolted.

Whitin-built Pratt and Whitney grinders have been shipped to Brown Lipe Chapin, John Bertram Ltd., Oldsmobile, Chrysler, Wright Aeronautical, and to Pratt and Whitney Aircraft. Look up, Whitin folks, when you hear the scream of a jet. You may have helped put that plane in the skies.

Above: The completed grinders are needed in our airplane factories. Here the flying hammers of Stephen Stanick, Andrew Berube, and John Collins ready a completed grinder for shipment

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". . . AS YOUR HOPE—"

Seventy-two-year-old General Douglas MacArthur believes people should "live every day as though you were going to live forever."

The general, retired from service after a brilliant army career, is chairman of the board of an eastern corporation.

Here is a poem he read recently at a meeting of the company's Twenty-five Year Club:

You are as young as your faith,
As old as your doubt,
As young as your self-reliance,
As old as your fear,
As young as your hope,
As old as your despair.

FRONT COVER: Edith Bishop, Tabulating Department, was among the Whitin folks who spent a February week end skiing at Huckle Hill, South Vernon, Vermont. Malcolm Pearson, photographer, took this picture of Edith as she paused to admire the scenery. From this vantage point, at the top of the ski slope, she was impressed with a three-state view.

Whitin Personality

GEORGE E. KELLSTRAND, Assistant Purchasing Agent and head of the specifications department, began his employment at the Whitin Machine Works on the day of Herbert Hoover's inauguration—March 4, 1929. A graduate of Burdett College, Boston, he had been with the production department of the Crompton and Knowles Loom Works for six years when he began work here under Mr. Frank P. Parcher. George was promoted to his present position in April, 1939.

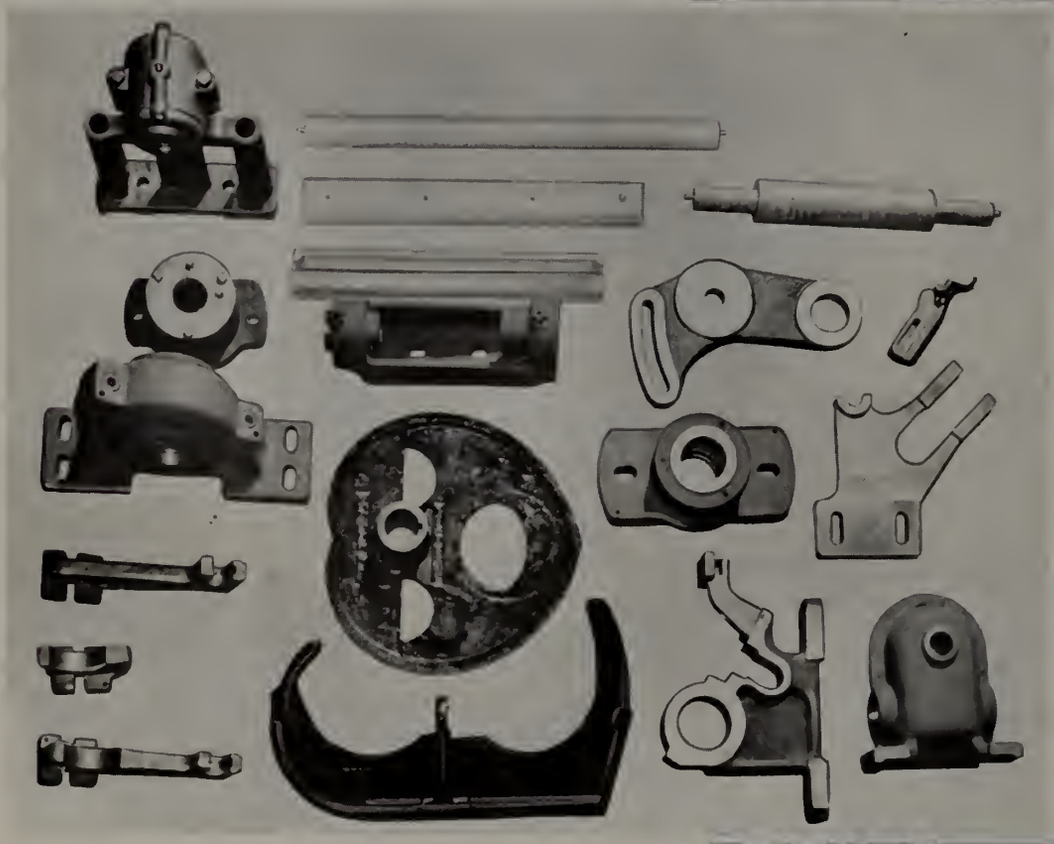
He spent his boyhood days in Worcester. Born there on March 28, 1903, he attended local schools and admits to having been the class pianist when he graduated from Worcester High School of Commerce. In October 10, 1931, Miss Ina N. Erickson of Worcester became Mrs. George Kellstrand. At that time they moved to Whitinsville where they now live at 9 Woodland Street.

George takes quiet pride in being meticulous in both his work and his hobbies. His small garden is kept free of weeds at all times. He states that he and his golf partner, Bill McNeill, usually win their matches. He ties and uses small vividly hued "blooper" wet flies and states, "I like to enjoy the quiet and solitude of Meadow Pond from five o'clock of an evening until the whippoorwills call." A devoted Red Sox fan, he follows the league standings with "interest but not much hope." His vacations are spent at Harwich Port on Cape Cod.

Mr. Kellstrand is a member of the music committee of the Village Congregational Church, of the board of directors of the Worcester County Purchasing Agents' Club, and of Granite Lodge, A.F. & A.M. He is present high priest of St. Elmo Chapter of Royal Arch Masons.

Color in Modern Styling

Above: George Braman works at a rapid rate, for to keep to schedule he must shellac about 50 of these comber lap spools each hour



Above: A great many small cast iron and wood parts are painted in Department 452 while larger assemblies are often painted in the department where they are assembled. All of the small parts pictured here are given at least two coats of finish

Right: Philip Dion and Harold Ingham install the porcelain steps in a creel board after paint has dried. It is on these steps that the skewers of the roving bobbins turn

"It takes time to train a painter," said Foreman Edward O. Nuttall of the Paint Job. "The exact length of time will vary, for some men learn more quickly than others. Offhand, I'd say it would take from two to six months, and in any event the brightest man would still have much to learn at the end of half a year because we have such a variety of work. We paint our machines for a number of reasons—to protect them against corrosion, to make them easier to clean, and to improve their appearance."

Ed heads a force of 40 men who seldom if ever are seen in one place, for it is easier to carry the paint to the larger machines than it is to carry the machine to the paint. About half the men are at work in scattered departments where they paint such large machines as wool frames, spinning frames, knitting machines, combers, cards, and defense projects such as the Pratt and Whitney grinder. The remaining 50 per cent work as a unit in Department 452 where they not only paint a host of wood and metal parts but also install porcelain steps in creel boards.

Department 452 uses more paint than a Hollywood studio—about 2,600 gallons a year. These protective coatings are an expensive item costing from $3.50 to $9.50 a gallon. Purchasing in lots of 300 to 500 gallons, Ed reorders paint whenever his stock of any color falls to a reserve of 100 gallons.

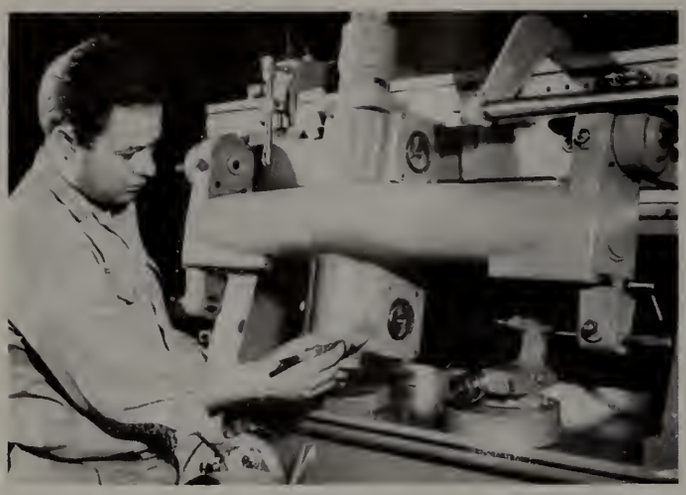
Whitin machines come in all the colors of the rainbow. Gone are the days of one color—when Whitin green went to war Whitin turned to a variety of hues. Today the wall chart in the Paint Job shows we use 30 different colors and shades ranging from light yellows to deep blacks.

These finishes are applied both by air gun and by brush. Whitin purchases the best brushes by the gross. Although nylon brushes have been tried, today we rely on Chinese bristle and oxhair. These brushes, made in 20 sizes and shapes, cost as much as $18 apiece and on certain types of work last as short a time as a week.

Spray booths are located at strategic points in the plant. In these booths air guns apply a coat in one fourth the time that the task would take by brush. In the more modern booths a water wash apparatus, cost $2,200,

Top: Assistant Foreman George Dykstra and Foreman Edward Nuttall are shown with a few of the many types of brushes used on the Paint Job. The total cost of the oxhair, Chinese bristle, and camel's-hair brushes on the table is about $60 while the three-inch oval brush held by Edward Nuttall costs $10

Bottom: This line of men is applying finish to DuPont small parts. From the left: Rosario Rajotte applys the finish to a bearing, Henrico Pandolfi paints the inside of a girt, and Joseph Brooks puts a coat on a head-end part



Top: Peter Mizzini applies the ninth and last coat of finish to a Pratt and Whitney grinder. A complete article on this grinder appears elsewhere in this issue

Center: Large quantities of paint are mixed by an agitator but small lots are still mixed by a two-man team. Here Albert Lucier pours while Rosario Lacombe awaits his turn

Bottom: Frank Guefa, Jr., uses a spray gun to paint castings. Water wash in the background launders the inflammable and toxic paint particles from the air

launders the inflammable and toxic paint particles from the air. The circulating water in this apparatus contains a chemical compound which lifts the trapped paint to the surface where it may be skimmed off as waste.

The signs located near these spray compartments warn *No Smoking Within 20 Feet.* This warning is essential, for paint vapors ignite easily. To lessen the fire hazard only a week's supply of paint is kept on the job where it is stored under the ever-ready nozzles of an automatic carbon dioxide fire extinguisher. The remaining reserve of materials is stored in Manchaug.

Whether a part receives its coat of paint by brush or air gun, the part is finished with care and may receive, as the Pratt and Whitney grinder does, as many as nine coats of various type finishes. More usual would be the treatment given spinning frames: a five-layer finish made up of coats of primer, spot glaze, brush filler, spray filler, and sealer. Small parts, which as a rule receive three or four coats, are often painted on the Paint Department floor rather than out on the job.

These small parts are cleaned of all traces of grease in a device known as a degreaser, which in appearance is nothing but a simple empty metal box. In reality this box is filled with invisible fumes of a chloride compound which are prevented from escaping by the cold-water jacket girdling the box. These unseen vapors strip a part of all grease in a matter of seconds.

Ed takes pride in showing off this gadget and the excellent work done by his men. He has been connected with the Paint Job since 1909 when he arrived from England where he was born in Bury, Lancashire, in 1892. He and Mrs. Nuttall live at 5 Oak Street, have two daughters, both employed in the Whitin Machine Works, and three grandchildren.

Mr. Nuttall returned to England in 1926 as a member of a soccer team representing Worcester County, Massachusetts, to play against the crack teams of Worcestershire, England. While the Massachusetts team lost all six games, Ed recalls with pleasure the close 6-5 game with Oxford University.

Ed and seven other men have worked a total of 261 man-years on the Paint Job. The other senior employees in this department are: Peter Michalik, 41 years; Frank Rybak, 37 years; George Dykstra, 32 years; Alphege Lozier, 31 years; Harold Ingham, 29 years; Adelard Lemay, 28 years; and George E. Braman, 20 years.

Left: Home Garden Club officers re-elected. From the left: Merrill True, Secretary; Jacob Haringa, Vice-President; Angus Parker, Sr., President; and Norman White, Treasurer

There were few empty seats at the Garden Club annual meeting

Gardeners relax after eating a hearty supper

Gardeners Convene at Annual Meeting

When the Whitin Home Garden Club members get together for their annual meeting it's a sure sign that spring isn't too far away. This year's meeting, held at the Fire Station Hall, Tuesday evening, February 10, marks the 34th anniversary of the club.

At the conclusion of a tasty pot roast and ham supper, Angus Parker, Sr., President, conducted a short business meeting: He informed the members that the final date for garden registration and the ordering of seeds has been designated as April 3. He also stated that all gardens will be plowed and cultivated by the Whitin Machine Works, who, in addition, will supply fertilizer gratis.

In the election of officers for 1953, the gardeners voted unanimously to reinstate Angus Parker, Sr., President; Jacob Haringa, Vice-President; Norman White, Treasurer; and Merrill True, Secretary. The installation ceremonies were conducted by Michael Feen and James Marshall.

Before introducing the guest speaker of the evening, Mr. Cecil Thompson, of the University of Massachusetts, Mr. Parker extended a warm welcome to the club's two guests, Gardner Norcross and George Weigher of the Worcester County Extension Service. Mr. Thompson's interesting and informative talk "What Makes Plants Grow" was illustrated with Kodachrome slides. Movies, "America's Wonderlands," concluded the evening program.

Firemen Honor "Sally" Jones

Captain Winford "Sally" Jones retired from active duty in the Whitinsville Fire Department January 1, 1953. In recognition of his 35 years of faithful service, the crew of Engine Number 1 gave a turkey dinner in his honor in the assembly room of the Fire Station, February 5.

Arthur Broadhurst served as toastmaster at the dinner which was catered by the Women's Society for Christian Service of the Methodist Church. At the conclusion of the dinner, he presented "Sally" with a certificate, which acknowledged his years of service, and a pen and pencil set, gifts from the crew of Engine Number 1. During the program Chief P. B. Walker spoke highly of "Sally" and of his service to the Fire Department. Movies on hunting and fishing concluded the evening's entertainment.

"Sally" was born on August 15, 1889, in Montgomery, Vermont, and moved to Whitinsville as a child. He recalls that he began work at the Pattern Loft of the Whitin Machine Works on his 14th birthday. "At that time," he chuckled, "I was half the Pattern Storage force, while now I'm only a 12th of it!" He was placed in charge of Pattern Storage in 1949.

During the 35 years that Mr. Jones has been on Engine Number 1, he estimates that he has attended 300 fires. He said, "I think the crew of Engine Number 1 are the finest fellows I have ever had the privilege of working with. The same is true of the officers, even though Chief Walker has often frosted my ears for some mistakes we made at practice."

Among the outstanding blazes Winford helped subdue were the 24-hour Fox Block fire of 1918, the G. M. Whitin fire of 1919, and the Adams Farm fire of 1952. "Sally" lists these respectively as the biggest, coldest, and hottest fires he has fought.

Shown with "Sally" Jones and Arthur Broadhurst are the officers of the Fire Department who were the guests of the crew of Engine Number 1. The certificate held by "Sally" is inscribed: Captain Emeritus Winford W. Jones, Amicus Humani Generis, Consilio et Animis, Constantia et Virtute, *and bears the names of the members of the crew of Engine Number 1. From the left: Deputy Chief Merwin Brown, Secretary Everett Johnston, Deputy Chief Leonard Brock, Captain Emeritus Winford Jones, Deputy Chief Fred Dexter, Chief Philip B. Walker, Captain Arthur Broadhurst, and Assistant Chief Leland Hemenway*

Left—The crew of Number 1 pose by their engine. From the left, front row: Edward Desjourdy, Luke Lomartire, Lt. George Jones, Donald Sangster, Captain Emeritus Winford Jones, Kent Robinson, Captain Arthur Broadhurst, Alfred Sunn, Ernest Boudreau, and Irving Larsen. Back row: Harry Roy, Roger O'Keefe, Russell Bailey, and George Ray. Alfred Briggs was absent when photo was taken

Skiing on Huckle Hill

Emil Deschamps, of the Roll Job, is one of our expert skiers. He came down one of the slopes with such speed that even our camera couldn't stop the action

Tobogganing is a favorite sport at Huckle Hill. Here speeding down one of the slopes are Bob Shaw, Thelma Meader, Connie Dale, Shirley Lightbown, Louis Smith, and Philip Meader

A GROUP OF WHITIN EMPLOYEES journeyed to South Vernon, Vermont, last month, for a week end of skiing and tobogganing at Stonehurst Lodge, an attractive, renovated, two-century-old homestead on top of Huckle Hill, nine miles south of Brattleboro. Located in the heart of the Pine Top ski area, it provides a magnificent three-state view. It overlooks the Connecticut River, Pioneer Valley, and the picturesque mountains of Vermont, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts.

Skiers start right from the door of Stonehurst and ski to the two 1,450-foot rope tows. There are 25 acres of exciting, interesting slopes and trails which guarantee to provide thrills for the beginner as well as the experienced skier.

Skiing is not the only winter sport to be enjoyed at Pine Top; tobogganing proved to be a favorite pastime of our Whitin group. Those who didn't prefer to ski all day tried riding the toboggans brought along by Philip Meader and Joseph Fenner.

Saturday night, after a satisfying turkey dinner served family style, and a brief rest, our enthusiasts visited the Northfield Hotel where they enjoyed ice skating. The day's activities were finally concluded with dancing at the Bernardstein Inn.

Sunday morning after breakfast, the group returned to the slopes where they continued skiing and tobogganing, despite a severe snowstorm. The inclement weather finally prompted our employees to start for home at noon.

The unforgettable hospitality of Romey and Elsie Racine, proprietors of Stonehurst, and the quaintness of their farm house make future trips to Pine Top a certainty.

We extend our thanks to Harold Libby who made the necessary arrangements.

A day in the open air whets the appetite. From the left: Gloria Frabotta, Emil Deschamps, Frances Guertin, May Hutcheson, Virginia Burke, Jay Bishop, Robert Shaw, and Louis Smith

Strikes and Spares

By Henry Crawford and Millie Turgeon

OFFICE TEAM—Winners of the first half. Seated, from the left: J. Herbert Park and John Mahoney, Jr. Standing: Angus Parker, Sr., Louis Lucier, and Robert English, captain

PLANER JOB—Runners-up first half. Front row, from the left: Raymond Stanovitch, Fred Siepietowski, and Edward Postma. Back row: Norman Burroughs, William Hall, and Leon Simmons

Whitin Shop Bowling League

The opening matches of the Shop Bowling League were rolled on Wednesday night, November 12, at the Pythian, Spare Time and Saropian Alleys. Twelve teams are entered this year and as in the past few years, three or four teams appear to be much stronger than the other teams. The solution of this problem seems to be to select the teams by averages, thus creating a better balance and making for keener competition. The plan has been discussed and may be adopted next year.

As has been the case in the last few years, the winner of the first half was not decided until the final match, when the Office took three points from the Apprentices. This was strictly a team victory for the Office team as they have no outstanding bowler. Steady rolling by Bob English, Angus Parker, Herb Park, Lou Lucier, and Danno Mahoney did the trick, and their win was a popular one.

In the race for the high individual average the same group, with one exception, are battling it out, namely Rollie Blondin, Maurice Morin, Phil Rae, and Fred Siepietowski, with Ed Postma surprising everyone with a neat 102.3 average.

On February 4, Ray Richards of the Spinning team got real hot and hit the high single string for the first half with 146. He had 338 for the night. Another of the younger bowlers, Danno Mahoney had the second high single with 141.

Phil Rae, of the Tin Cylinder Job, gave the boys something to shoot at on January 7 when he hit a high three string total of 377, with strings of 133, 116, and 128. This topped the previous high three string total of 349 which Adam Davidson posted on the opening night, with strings of 104, 117, and 128.

The Tin Cylinder Job has the high team total with 1,550 followed by the Apprentices with 1,549. The high team string was rolled by the Planer Job with 550 and the second high by the Freight Office with 549.

TEAM STANDINGS—1st Half

	Won	*Lost*
Office	35	9
Planer Job	34	10
Apprentices	32	12
Freight Office	27	17
Tin Cylinder Job	25	19
Repair Department	23	21
Grinder Job	2[illegible]	22
Box Job	19	25
Spinning Job	18	26

Roll Job	13	31
Production Department	11	33
Foundry	5	39

LEAGUE LEADERS in Individual Averages

Through February 2

R. Blondin	105.2	R. English	96.0
M. Morin	103.8	R. Dagirmangian	95.8
P. Rae	102.5	F. Cowburn	95.6
E. Postma	102.3	W. Markarian	95.5
F. Siepietowski	101.7	L. Lucier	95.2
A. Davidson	101.6	R. Shaw	95.0
L. Lomartire	99.8	W. Burroughs	94.6
R. Roy	98.8	D. Magill	94.2
T. Poddles	98.7	L. Simmons	94.0
L. Roy	98.5	J. Steele	94.0
D. Mohoney	98.4	B. Gervais	93.9
M. Ovian	98.3	A. Jacobs	93.9
B. Taylor	96.9	A. Parker	93.9
A. Broadhurst	96.8	L. Toosoonian	93.9
T. Queenan	96.8	N. Burroughs	93.8
T. Wilga	96.4	W. Demague	93.6
C. Flinton	96.1	P. Connor	93.5
H. Crawford	96.1	H. Dipartie	93.5
R. Cunningham	96.0	R. Stanovich	93.3

Whitinsville Woman's League

This year the Whitinsville Woman's Bowling League should be in the news for two reasons. First, they have a new slate of officers: President Agnes Spence, Secretary Rose Kalonas, and Treasurer Mary Frieswick. Secondly, the first half of the season has been noted for its close competition between three teams: the Spars, the Sea-Bees, and the Navy.

The Spars fell by the wayside in the next to the last match, leaving two teams in a neck-and-neck race. It was a hard fight, but the victorious Navy finally sank the SeaBees by a score of 1,768 to 1,538. The two teams were tied on the first string, on the second string, and on the two-box roll-off between their anchor bowlers Evelyn Johnson and Arsh Sohigian. In the final roll-off, the Navy won over the SeaBees by 230 points.

The second half has begun with similar close competition between two other teams. After several weeks of play, the Wacs, captained by Louise O'Connell, and the Waves, captained by Ann Mantell, are tied for first place.

We regret that one of the best girl bowlers in the southern part of the county, Rosanna Cencak, of this town, is not bowling in a local league this year.

Records to date are as follows: High team triple, Navy, 1,705 (roll-off scores not allowed for records); high team single, Waves, 619; high individual triple, Wanda Janton (Waves), 337; and high individual single, Mary Cooper (Army), 135.

NAVY TEAM—Winners of the first half. Seated, from the left: Louise Oolorgian, Rita Deome, and Ruth Desjourdy. Standing, from the left: Gertrude Conrad, Captain Millie Turgeon, and Agnes Spence

SEABEES—Runners-up of the first half. Seated, from the left: Vi Wood, Evelyn Johnson, and Gladys Leitch. Standing, from the left: Era Barnes, Dot Boudreau, and Captain Florence Higgins. Ruth Boudreau was absent when photo was taken

Whitin Men Assigned New Positions

Wallace Meigs appointed administrative engineer of the General Engineering Department

Mr. J. Hugh Bolton, President, issued a notice on January 12 that Mr. Wallace Meigs has been appointed administrative engineer of the General Engineering Department. Mr. Meigs is now responsible for the direction of department planning, the Master List Department, standardization, personnel and general engineering office management.

Mr. Meigs was born February 22, 1922, in Brookline, Massachusetts. He is a graduate of Brook School, North Andover; Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut; and the Roosevelt School of Aeronautics and Engineering, Long Island, New York. At the present time he is attending evening classes at the Worcester Polytechnic Institute where he is studying industrial management.

During World War II Wallace served three years with the U. S. Infantry in the Philippines and Korea. At the close of war he entered the Whitin Machine Works and took a course in advanced apprentice training. On completion of the course, he was assigned to the General Engineering Department where he was placed in charge of standardizing machines and parts. He held this position until he received his present appointment.

Mr. and Mrs. Meigs and their two-year-old son, Joe Vincent, reside in Grafton. Cabinetmaking is one of Wallace's hobbies and using the workshop in his basement he practically rebuilt the entire interior of his house. His other hobbies include: sailing, salt-water fishing, skiing, and hunting.

Sigurd Helland appointed chief products engineer of the General Engineering Department

Mr. Sigurd H. Helland has been appointed chief products engineer of the General Engineering Department. He will be responsible for the direction and approval of production design on all engineering projects.

Mr. Helland was born in Horten, Norway, June 13, 1888. He attended the local schools in Horten and graduated from Jarlsberg & Larvik Amtskole. He came to the United States in 1906 and worked for the Pennsylvania Railroad. He left the railroad in 1908 and went to New York where he was employed in the drafting room of the Myrick Machine Company. Between the years of 1910 and 1913 he worked for both the General Electric Company, Pittsfield, and the Taft Pierce Company, Woonsocket. In 1913 he entered the employ of the Whitin Machine Works and after four years of tool and special machine design he was assigned to textile machine design. Six years later Mr. Helland was appointed assistant chief draftsman and since 1943 has performed the duties of chief draftsman.

Mr. Helland lives on 113 East Street, Whitinsville, and has two sons, two daughters, and five grandchildren. He lists among his favorite hobbies golf and music.

John H. Bolton, Jr., elected assistant treasurer of the Whitin Machine Works

Mr. John H. Bolton, Jr., who was on January 13 appointed assistant treasurer by the Board of Directors, brings to his new position a wide range of experience gained here in the Whitin Machine Works. Employed in various production departments during the summers of 1939, 1940, and 1941, he entered the advanced apprentice course on September 13, 1946, and underwent training in all the phases of textile machinery manufacturing. As a part of the thorough period of training he also worked in the Production Department, in Sub-Contract under David Lash, and did the liaison work with Wallace Clark and Company when they installed a new system of procedure for repair parts orders. He was assistant manager of the Repair Sales Department and supervisor of the Defense Contract Department before joining the Treasury Department on November 19, 1951.

Born in Cleveland, Ohio, on November 30, 1920, Jack, with his folks, moved to Whitinsville at the age of four years. He began his education in the Whitinsville public schools, graduated from Moses Brown School in Providence, continued his training at The Choate School, Wallingford, Connecticut, and from 1940 to 1942 attended Yale University. His college career was interrupted by his entrance into the armed forces.

Jack joined the Air Corps as an enlisted man and after completing his basic training was sent to Florida where he was trained as a radar operator. He qualified for Officer Candidate School, earned his commission, and at the cessation of hostilities was a first lieutenant, coast artillery antiaircraft.

A brisk and friendly person, John H. Bolton, Jr., speaks crisply and to the point. He spends his leisure hours golfing in summer and skiing in winter. During the past year he has developed an interest in both color and black and white photography and may often be found in the darkroom that he has set up in his home on Whitin Avenue.

He and Mrs. John H. Bolton, Jr., the former Joan Radebaugh of Urbana, Illinois, were married in Alexandria, Louisiana, on November 17, 1945. They have four children: William John, age six; Kristine Ellen, age four; and ten-month-old twins, Karen Phillips and Candice Anne.

Hobby—

Guns and Bullets

So, brother sportsman, you'd like to own that wildcat varmint rifle? You like the sleek lines of the perfectly tapered barrel, the sheen of skillfully blued metal, the handstoned bolt and trigger action, and the rich tones of the walnut stock? Oh, it's the price of $400 that has you discouraged. Then cheer up, for if you like to work with wood and metal you may own that rifle at a price within the range of your pocketbook. (For the uninitiated, a wildcat rifle is an experimental caliber not manufactured by standard arms companies.)

Raymond F. Cabana, Research Division, does just that. At his home on Douglas Street, Uxbridge, Ray spends his spare time converting and repairing rifles for which he loads his own ammunition. According to Ray the average workman can learn to make a $10 military action into a fine weapon. The secret is patience, careful workmanship, and a willingness to learn.

Ray suggests that three rifles, the Pattern 14 Enfield, the 1903 Springfield, and the Model 98 Mauser, are most suited to conversion to sporter models. In the case of the Mauser it is well to avoid weapons dated after 1941 for many of the wartime German guns contain inferior metals. At all costs avoid using the Japanese 25 caliber army rifle, for the cast receiver of the Oriska is unsafe.

The initial step is to have a gunsmith check the headspace and chamber. Changing the caliber requires a new barrel, an item that costs about $60. But if the original caliber is acceptable all you need is a $15 semi-inletted stock.

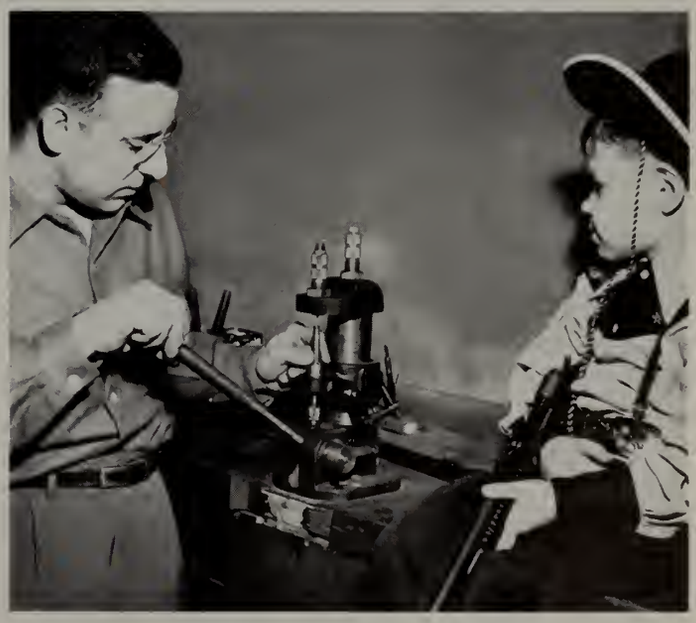
The rest is a lot of hand work. From books you learn how to fit the stock to the receiver. You drawfile the barrel to the desired taper, bring it to a high polish, and blue it. The trigger and bolt action is smoothed by careful handstoning. Telescopic sights are an expensive optional but for New England shooting a $15 Lyman 48S peepsight is suitable.

The stock allows a wide field for creative expression. Most good stocks are oiled hand-rubbed walnut designed to fit the individual owner. The shape, inlaying, and engraving is a matter of personal taste. When you've done you've had a lot of fun and saved at least 60% over having the job done by a gunsmith.

But shooting is an expensive sport. A 30-06 cartridge from the factory costs about 18 cents. Ray loads his own cartridges with bullets he casts himself at a cost of three cents and can do six times the amount of shooting he could afford if he used factory ammunition. This process requires a tong-type tool, cost $11.50, a double cavity bullet-mold, cost $7.50, a powder scale, cost $11.45, and a sizing and lubricating machine, cost $15. You can get along without the bullet mold if you use all factory components, but it will increase your cost to eight cents a cartridge. Still you'll save a dime every time you squeeze the trigger.

"The fellow who loads his own ammunition is a lot safer man with a gun," declares Ray, "for he knows what he's handling and the tremendous pressures involved. Always use a loading table, start two grains below the recommended load and gradually build up. Examine each fired cartridge case for the danger signs of hard extraction, reamer marks, or excessively flattened primers. In any event never exceed the maximum load given by the table."

Pistols and shotguns may also be repaired and restocked. Ray has converted revolvers to "quick-draw" guns. "Just remember" Ray warns, "never use smokeless powder in old damascus twist shotguns. They're safe with black powder, but every year people are killed or injured by using modern shells in old shotguns which show a design in the metal of the barrel."



Ray Cabana, using a Hollywood heavy-duty press, does a full-length resizing job on a 30-30 caliber Winchester cartridge case under the watchful eye of his 4½ year old son, Francis. The 22 caliber Stevens held by the young cowboy is unusual in that the serial number 906 indicates that the rifle is one of the first made by the company

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

Some of the fellows in Department 438 have expressed a desire to go deep-sea fishing. Fortunately for us, we have one person who has been quite often. Lindsey Harding put together many fishing parties while working on the night shift. I'm sure that he would not mind if those on both the day and night shifts interested in going were to get together with him and make arrangements. . . . Bob Cochrane finally got his Country Squire after a year's wait. It's a honey of a car. . . . We wish to welcome back Alex Pawelcyk and also wish to extend our wishes for a speedy recovery to Dave Brunell.

Why Fathers and Mothers Leave Home Department: Frank Machacz's son, Eddie, recently came into the house and asked his mother if he could have a piece of a freshly baked cake. She told him he could and left the room. On her return she found all but a thin slice of cake gone. P.S. Little Eddie had invited in all of his buddies.

Well, another baseball season has started, and all the rooters of different teams have checked in fit and down to their best kibitzing weight in years. Those reporting were Manning Arnold, Yankees; R. Baker and D. O'Gara, Red Sox; and Bob Cochrane. Bob used to be a Red Sox rooter but they have traded so many players that he has decided to root for everybody.

CAST IRON AND RATTLER ROOMS

by Jim Fallon

There have been some changes in our department. Good luck to Raymond Savine, who is now night inspector for the department. We are sorry to lose Valmore Deslauriers, who has returned to Department 441.

January 9 was a happy day for two of our men, Morris Chaplin and Charles Edmonds, who received their five-year pins on that date from Foreman John Hickey. . . . We hope that Al Cummings, who supervises the inspection section of Department 405, is feeling better. He was out for a few days because of sickness. . . . Roland Tardie, sorting tables, gave a pint of blood to his brother-in-law. . . . New faces on the night crew are Theodore Chaplin, Roland Turgeon, Lucien Lambert, Osias Cote, Abel Silva, West Hill, Art Boivin, and Isaiah Lindsey.

It has been told that Leon Rondeau, Rattler Room, has been feeding Herb Henderson's dog. We wonder whether Herb or Leon owns the pup now? Herb claims the dog was sick. Leon says that if the dog were fed it would be in perfect health. . . . Mack Harris enjoyed the trip he took over New Year's to his home in the South.

We hope that Joseph Gravel, Rattler Room, recovers speedily from his foot injury. . . . Jake Wiersma is now driving a truck in the shop. . . . Joseph A. Roy is back on the job after a week in a Worcester hospital. . . . Frank Maynard has returned after an illness lasting a week. . . . Sid Zuidema suffered broken fingers. The injury was incurred on the conveyor pans. . . . Four men from the Bay State Grinding Wheel Company were here recently to photograph their wheels in use in this department. . . . Joseph Roy has a new car, a 1951 Plymouth.

Taken more than 70 years ago and now faded with age, this photograph shows the old Boot Shop in Northbridge Center. While the Boot Shop was torn down shortly after the turn of the century the building at the left is still used as a store. Dave Aldrich, Tool Job, received this picture from Herbert E. Rixford

BOX JOB

by Bernice M. Werth

Since our last column, we have added several people to the Box Job. Our new timekeeper is Lucy Ross, formerly of 423. Lucy has recently recovered from a long siege of illness, and her many friends throughout the Shop certainly are happy to see her again. . . . Our new men are Roland Bilodeau from 414, Stanislaw Nozko from 441, David Sprague from 411, and Andrew Duda from the Schuster Mill. A hearty welcome to you all.

Belated greetings to Al Emond on the occasion of his birthday in February, and happy returns to Al Kapolka for his birthday in March. . . . Captain Ralph Nolet reports that his bowling team is now in second place and that the men are setting their sights on the lead position.

We'll end our column this month with a few words of "wisdom and wit." A young husband was heard to wearily ask why the Lord made women beautiful but so dumb, and his little woman sweetly answered, "Well, dear, He made us beautiful so you'd love us, and dumb so we would love you."

GRINDER JOB

by Virginia Burke

Since our last news items to the SPINDLE there have been several changes in the department. A night shift has been added and some of our day lathe and grinder operators have been transferred to the night shift with Arthur Gauvin as night supervisor. . . . Ten new men have joined the department and are learning to run the various machines. We extend a hearty welcome to all. . . . William Gubber, formerly of Department 429, has taken over the duties of

parts and process man. He replaces Victor Fagnant who is now set-up man on the night shift. . . . We are happy to have Jeannette Sisoian back after a short stay in the hospital. . . . Walter Solina's young son is in the hospital for an appendix operation. . . . Lucy Mooradian has joined the office force and we are pleased to have her. . . . Frank Mancini, our planner, is sporting a new Nash. . . . Five-year pins were presented to Joseph Brunneau and George Armenia by Mr. Moran, foreman; William Gubber also received a five-year pin. Mr. Dufries, of Department 429, made the presentation.

One evening not long ago George Moran, William Todd, Alfred Vallee, Henry Nejadlik and Arthur Gauvin called on David Blakely at his home. Dave, who recently retired after 48 years at Whitin, was presented a purse by Mr. Moran. The gift was from the members of Dave's department. . . . We were sorry to hear of Roland Dummond's recent accident but glad none of his passengers were injured more seriously. George LaRose, Roger Ledoux and Herman Picard, of this department, were among the passengers. . . . Birthday greetings to Arthur Gauvin and Henry Nejadlik. . . . Wedding anniversaries: Charles and Mrs. Barney, their 42nd; Victor and Mrs. Fagnant, their 29th.

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

A surprise party was held for Arthur Dion who celebrated his 62nd birthday January 17. Mrs. Dion was hostess at a turkey dinner given in Arthur's honor. . . . A recent visitor was Sard Elias, formerly of this department. He is now a marine at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. . . . Get-well wishes are extended to Mrs. Dave Clark and to Paul O'Connor's father, Mr. Andrew Cahill; both are at St. Vincent's Hospital, Worcester. . . . Congratulations to Anna LeBlanc who received her 10-year service pin. . . . A shower was held recently for Lucille Picard. She will marry Remi Roy, April 11, in Linwood. . . . Al Jacobs went rabbit hunting at the Cape. The same day Ray Bassett went fishing in Danielson, Connecticut. Ray caught plenty of fish but Al got only one rabbit for a whole day's effort.

GENERAL MACHINING

by Jim Magowan and Ken Harrington

Personality of the Month: Arthur Ashworth was born November 17, 1899 in Sanford, Maine. He married Ethel McNaul of Whitinsville in 1919. They have a married daughter, Gloria, 26, who at one time was employed in the Cost Department. Arthur and Mrs. Ashworth now reside in Woonsocket, R. I. Arthur came to Whitin in 1919. He left and returned in 1932. He worked until 1943 and then he left again but he came back once more in 1947. Each Christmas season finds Arthur busy playing the part of Santa Claus in a department store. In his high school days, Arthur was a cross-country runner. He claims he would still do some running if he hadn't put on so much weight. Among other achievements, Arthur sang tenor in a quartet. His hobby is fixing oil burners.

Congratulations to the following employees who were presented their service pins: Mary Paul, ten years; Matthew Krajewski, George Landry, Harry Carlson, Charles McCann, Patsy DiGregorio, Dowwe Fekkes, and Arthur Roireau, five years. . . . Bon voyage and happy sailing to Richard VanderBrug who is now doing his boot training for the Navy at Bainbridge, Md. . . . Raymond Girard and Arthur Mikulsky celebrated birthdays last month.

Francis Muscatell, aviation enthusiast and World War II Air Corps veteran, took this bird's-eye view of the Whitin Machine Works. Francis combines the hobbies of flying and photography

METAL PATTERNS

by Bill Prior

Harold Oakes, metal pattern maker, is a senior employee with 48 years of service at Whitin. His first job in the Shop was on comber work. For many years he was assistant foreman in the Back Bar Arm Department but during the last 11 years he has worked here. Harold was born in Whitinsville in 1888. He lives with his wife Margaret on Forest Street, Whitinsville. He is interested in sports as a hobby.

A new car-buying splurge has hit this department. Jack Leonard, Bill Belanger, and Karl Rankin all have new Dodges. Good driving, fellows. . . . The flu bug hit a few on this Job. First Ed Benoit, then Louis Stimpson, and Henry Forget, and finally John Sohigian. Hope we have no more.

The tall story club is in progress again. "Bud" Martin made it last month. Now I hear Ed Kilcline has entered. Ed said that one day when he was in New Guinea it rained 30 inches. It rained so much the ships were brought in and tied to the coconut trees. . . . The weekly fights on TV have created a great deal of interest in this department. Joe Prior and Harry Kearnan don't see eye to eye with Bob Caston and Harold Warren no matter who fights or who is favored. In this reporter's opinion Caston and Warren have the edge in picking the winners at least three to one.

COMBINED CHORUSES SING IN PROVIDENCE

The Whitin Male Glee Club will participate in a musical program which will be held at Hope High School Auditorium, Providence, R. I., on Sunday, March 15, at eight-fifteen in the evening. Conducted by C. Alexander Peloquin, this concert will feature a 175-voice chorus and a piano octet.

PROGRAM

Festival Prelude (Bach Chorales) The combined choruses	*Bach-Stoessel*
Renaissance Choral Music Radio and TV Chorale	*Hassler, Des Pres, Monteverdi, Victoria, DeLassus*
Concerto for 4 Pianos Piano Octet	*Vivaldi-Bach*
Testament of Freedom Whitin Male Glee Club	*R. Thompson*
Scaramouche Piano Octet	*Di Milhand*
Let Thy Holy Presence Combined choruses	*Tschesnokoff*
Coronation Scene (Boris Godounov) Combined Choruses and Piano Octet and String Orchestra	*Moussorgsky*

M Sgt. Russell T. Ellis

FORMER WHITIN EMPLOYEE IS EISENHOWER'S RADIO MAN

Master Sergeant Russell T. Ellis, son of Weston P. Ellis of the Bolt Job, has been assigned as radio operator on President Eisenhower's personal plane. A veteran of World War II's famed 100th Bombardment Group of the Eighth Air Force, Sergeant Ellis has been awarded seven battle stars, the Purple Heart, Air Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Distinguished Flying Cross, Presidential Citation, and Victory Medal. For the past four years he has been on the crew of the plane of Secretary of Defense Robert Lovett.

Sergeant Ellis attended the Northbridge schools, graduated from Worcester Boys Trade High School, and was employed at the Whitin Machine Works. He lives with Mrs. Ellis and their four children in Alexandria, Va.

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

Personality of the Month—Alfred J. Deome, known as Fred to his friends, is employed as a mold finisher on the 750 Herman machines. Born in Manchaug, Mass., on May 1, 1914, Fred attended the Sutton schools and went on to study for a year and a half at a trade school in Torrington, Conn.

On June 21, 1940, Irene Benoit of Manchaug became Mrs. Deome. Fred, Irene, and their two children, Alfred, Jr., and Nancy, live in the house they own on Main Street, Manchaug. Fred enjoys sports.

A/2C Frederick W. Dexter, Jr., son of Fred Dexter who is in charge of the Foundry Carpenter Shop, has been transferred to Carswell Air Force Base, Fort Worth, Texas. Fred, Jr. attended Northbridge High School and has worked in the Whitin Machine Works. . . . We welcome back Alfred L. Patenaude, 69 Jeffers Street, Woonsocket, R. I., who has completed two years of service as a combat engineer in the U. S. Army. Wedding bells will chime for Fred in the near future. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Rutherford who celebrated their fourteenth wedding anniversary on January 10 at their home in Millbury, Mass. Jerry, who works on the 1500 Herman machines, and Mrs. Rutherford, the former Vivian Perry, have three daughters, twelve-year-old Lorraine, eleven-year-old Elaine, and ten-year-old Ann.

Fred Dexter, Jr., son of Fred Dexter of the Foundry, is now in the U. S. Air Force. When this picture was taken, he was at Keesler Air Force Base in Mississippi

The eighteenth wedding anniversary rolled around for Mr. and Mrs. Chester Flinton on January 26. Ida is a technician in the Foundry Sand Laboratory and recently received her ten-year pin. They own their home on Second Street, Manchaug. . . . We want to spread the welcome mat for Raymond J. Small, second shift night clerk. Ray and Mrs. Small, the former Margaret Duggan, live with their son William and their daughter Betsey in the house they own on Pleasant View Road, Whitinsville. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Stuart K. White had a busy week recently. They moved into their new home on February 12, became the parents of a son, Stuart Keith, Jr., on the 12th, and celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary on Valentine's Day, February 14. Congratulations!

A casting made by Apprentice Jerome J. Rodman has been selected by the Foundry supervisors as the Whitin Machine Works entry in the 30th American Foundrymen's Society Apprentice Contest for 1953. Last year in this contest, which is open to apprentices in the continental United States and Canada, Jerome won second prize. Apprentices in this contest are given identical patterns, told to use their own judgment, and allowed to make but one casting. Castings are judged on the basis of gatings, riserings, and appearance. Good luck in the contest!

We wish Assistant Foundry Superintendent Roland Hanson a swift recovery after undergoing surgery at Worcester Memorial Hospital on February 5. We hope he will be back with us when this appears. . . . Five-year pins were presented by Mr. Raymon Meader to Alfonso Chattman, George J. McCauley, Peter J. Orlando, Gilbert Brule, and Alfred Auger.

LINWOOD DIVISION DEPARTMENT 451

by Louise Sohigian

We would like to wish Ray Blanchard the best of luck with his new duties in the Freight House. We welcome back Albert Dix who will replace Ray here. . . . We were sorry to hear that Fred Tebeau was in the hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery. . . . We congratulate Widgie Esposito who was presented her five-year pin and Stella Nowak who received her ten-year pin. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tebeau who were married 31 years in February. . . . Many happy returns to Aldea Peterson who celebrated her birthday February 27.

A 2/C Rene H. Leclerc, who at one time worked in Department 429, is now stationed at Brookley Air Force Base, Mobile, Alabama

STEEL FABRICATING AND CUTTING-OFF JOB

by Marion Metcalf

We are happy to have Stephen Bezik of Prentice Road, Sutton, as our Personality of the Month. Steve, as he is better known to his friends, started his life August 7, 1910, in Webster, Massachusetts, and spent most of his life in the Douglas-Webster area. He attended the Douglas public schools until he was 15 and then became a floor hand in the Hayward-Schuster Mills. After staying there for a few years he decided to try his hand at making chemicals, so he became a laboratory man for a plant in Jersey City. He came to work, for a short while, in the Whitin Machine Works. Later he returned to Hayward-Schuster but finally in 1949 he joined the staff of workers in Department 432 and has been here ever since. His major job is assembling bobbin loaders. Eleven years ago Steve married Elizabeth Harding of Whitinsville and they now have two lovely daughters, Joanne, age seven, and Susan, age four. Steve's hobbies are many, but his first love is pistol shooting. As proof of his marksmanship he has a collection of about 25 medals. His other hobbies include gardening and color-slide photography.

Congratulations to Maurice Valois and Bernard Gervais, inspectors on 432, who have just received their five-year service pins. . . . We welcome Rita Turcotte to Department 410 office force. Rita is substituting for Gloria LaRoche, who is undergoing an operation at the Woonsocket Hospital. We wish you speedy recovery, Gloria.

GEAR JOB

by Irene Kalvinek

Personality of the Month: John Senkarik, who was born on January 1, 1899, in Webster, Mass. John lives in North Uxbridge, owns his own home, and has been married for 33 years. He and Mrs. Senkarik are parents of five children. One of their sons was a champion golf player for the Army, has a number of trophies, and now teaches golf in California.

John is a veteran of World War I. His chief hobby is rabbit and hare hunting, but he also has a garden, where he raises flowers and vegetables.

John has been with the Whitin Machine Works for nine years, and has been a member of the Gear Job for five years. Congratulations to you, John, our Personality of the Month, and may you have many more years with us.

Three of our basketball fans journeyed to Providence to witness the Celtics-Knickerbockers game. If any other basketball fan reading this column has any question in his mind of who the foremost basketball player is, just get in contact with either Stanton Putnam, Gaston Ayotte or Alfred Matte. The answer would be Bob Cousy.

Prt. John F. Farrar's father, Bernard S. Farrar, is chief inspector in Department 450

Pfc. Arthur W. Jones, grandson of "Sally" Jones, admires the scenery of Tripoli from the hood of his trusty jeep

We have two very apt game hunters on the Gear Job, Mr. Robert Ebbeling and Mr. John Senkarik. John and Bob journey each year to Bear Mountain with Bob's two hunting dogs and John's dog. John caught a hare and one rabbit. Bob was left with the task of picking John up after John accidentally tripped over a log. Better luck next time, boys!

We welcome Harry Thompson back to the Gear Job after a brief illness. . . . This month of March we extend our birthday greetings to George Contara, John Meagher, Bernice Kroll, Clarence Brouillard, Joseph Charette, Robert Allen, and Domina Cadorette.

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREWS

by Bill Scanlon

Bill Brouillette and Baldy White no longer wish to be bull fighters since their use of the wrong stairway at the Castle Hill Farm landed them in the bull corral. They had crossed half the corral when, with a stentorian bellow, the bull objected to their presence. "Feet, do your duty," said Baldy as he raced Bill for the exit. Bill admits Baldy won, but claims that he was a close second.

Airman 1st Class Francis Chausse, son of Hector Chausse, Production Department, is stationed at Boca Chica Airfield, Key West, Fla. Francis is a parachute rigger and was employed in Storesroom No. 12 before entering the Armed Forces

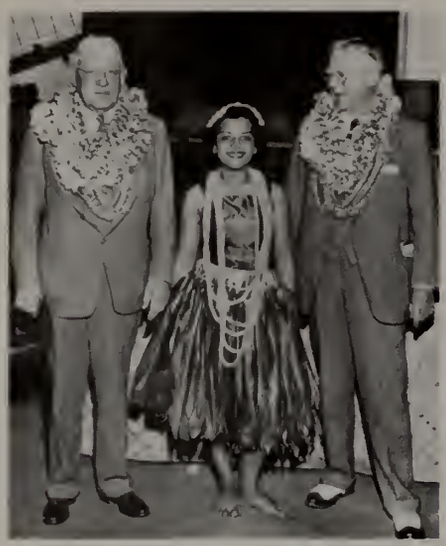
The family and friends of Anthony Campo and Mrs. Campo of C Street presented them with many gifts when they celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on February 12. . . . Adelard Ouillette of the Garage Repair Department went without his supper recently. While repairing his wife's washing machine Willie slipped into the water-filled tub, soaked his wife, and made a hurried exit from his home. Willie is reported to have told his wife, "Get a repair man to do your chores in the future." . . . Ed Sullivan has transferred from the garage to the trucks.

Harold Sizer once worked on a farm. In recalling this job he says "As 'chambermaid' I made the beds for a bunch of wild cows so tough that you couldn't make a ripple in their milk with a 10-foot oar. The 'chambermaid' in the adjoining suite was an Englishman who treated his cows so tenderly that they got stuck on him. They were certainly stuck—it took three of us to pull the horn out of his right leg."

COMBER JOB

by Harold Leoncini

Bill Ryan has returned to work after visiting friends in Baltimore. . . . We hope Hector Chase benefits from his hobby—weight lifting. . . . We hear Henry Graves stubbed his big toe while walking in his sleep one night. When questioned about the incident, Henry said, "From now on, I'm wearing my shoes to bed."



Mr. E. Kent Swift, Sr., and his friend, Mr. George R. Stobbs of Worcester, were greeted by this dusky charmer upon their arrival at Waikiki, Honolulu, on January 22 for a 10-day vacation

When Samuel Mulholland celebrated his 80th birthday on February 13, the Blackstone Valley Choraleers, directed by Tad Wallace, furnished the music

Harold Kavonian is shown in Korea with two of his friends. Harold is the young fellow on the right and is the son of Kasper Kavonian, of the Foundry

SPINNING FLOOR, CARD ERECTING AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

Although many of our fellow-workers may not realize it, the Whitin Machine Works has made more bonnets than you'd find in a hat store! As the contract nears its end we hope that some new project will take its place. With Foreman Ernest Pickup and Assistant Foreman Clint White taking care of things by day, and with Bill Hall doing the night supervising, the men have done a good job on production.

The following men are on the day crew: James Hagan, Brazil Namaka, Frank O'Brien, Henry Murzynowski, Stanley Matuzek, Andrew Fitzgerald, Louis Gorman, Carl Young, Jim Eastwood, and Arthur Pellerin. The night crew consists of Inspector Henry Giguere, Leo Guertin, George Baribeault, Floyd Brothers, Marcel Beausoliel, Roland Lippe, Joseph Tauper, Joseph Larainer, Onesime Raguier, John Davidson, and William Jillson.

That man walking around the spinning set-up floor—the fellow with his chest thrown way, way out—is John Walker, who has just been raised to first-class assembler and setup man. Nice going, Jack!

Joe Gauvin, Mike Feen, and Tommy Stevenson appointed themselves a committee of three to assist Assistant Foreman Bernard Kelliher of Department 448 in removing the Christmas wreath from his front door. They were afraid the swallows of Capistrano might nest there this spring. . . . When Joe Tauper, night shift, wears his famous hat he resembles a popular comedian. . . . We regret that Joe Valis was disappointed the other day. Some joker told him that the men on the job were to have their pictures taken, and so Joe arrived at work slicked-up and clean-shaven. At noon he shaved again —no photographer appeared. . . . Five-year pins this month went to Clinton White, Manuel Oliver, and Ward E. Guyles.

Irving Soule, our inventor, is working at home on a device to settle once and for all the question "I wonder which way the wind blows?" Ask him about it. . . . Ben Scott gave a calendar to Paul Gamelin, the man who laughed so hard when "Red" DeJong paid $3.82 for bottles broken in a chain store. Paul hung it in his kitchen and used it for three weeks before discovering it was a 1952 issue. Ah well, remember that one about the gift horse, Paul. . . . Jake Haringa, anxious to get the Home Garden Club supper started, noted three women standing idle, assumed they were the persons hired to assist and clean up, and tried to put them to work cutting meat. When they served only themselves the light dawned on Jake—the ladies were invited guests.

CARPENTER SHOPS AND MISCELLANEOUS WOODWORK

by Edward Allega

Hello, everyone! I have been asked to be your reporter. While our departments are small and not much goes on, if you have any news, no matter how small or unimportant it may seem, I would appreciate it if you would contact me. With your help I will try to have something in each issue.

We are happy to welcome Frank Rud, Valmore Deslauriers, and Eugene Gervais on their return to Department 441, and George Gauthier, a recent transfer from Department 440. . . . Among our recent visitors to the shop was A3/C Frank Trainor, formerly employed in Departments 441 and 429. Frank is the son of Louis Trainor of the Carpenter Shop. . . . We also saw Napoleon Gaudette, who has retired.

We hear from Morgan "Bucky" Creighton, who is in Korea, that he now has enough points for discharge, and that as soon as his replacement arrives "Bucky" will be rotated home. We hope to see him in the near future.

CARD SMALL PARTS AND CYLINDERS

by Millie Turgeon

George Forsythe was awarded his 25-year service pin the day before Christmas. Russell Moore and Bill Ryan received five-year pins recently. . . . By the way, Bill Ryan has left us to return to Department 424. He was a good scout and always ready to lend anyone a helping hand. . . . Evans Bedigian has left us and is now in the Master List Department with R. K. Brown. Evans is a quiet fellow and very obliging. To both of these fellows we wish the very best of luck in their present jobs. . . . With these departures have come new arrivals to the Job. First was Edward Baldyga, who formerly worked for Reed and Prentice as a grinder. He lives in Woonsocket and was active in such sports as baseball, softball, and football, until a leg injury sustained in a football game sidelined him while playing for the Chipman's Corner team in the Woonsocket City League. . . . Russell Durand is another new fellow to the Job. He came to us through a transfer. He has worked on the Box Job, out in the Yard for Cliff Kelley, and packing for Walter DePartie before coming to our department. He lives in Woonsocket and used to like swimming and baseball but says he doesn't have much time for them now. His real hobby is woodwork.

We are glad to see Jim Krull and John Bogie, Sr., back to work after being out because of illness. Both are looking good and we wish them continued good health. . . . Ralph Peckham is still out on sick leave. It's been quite some time. We wish him a speedy recovery. Come on Ralph, hurry and get well. . . . Andy Baird dropped in one day recently. It was good to see him again; he looked as trim as ever and still as full of pep. Keep it up, Andy. . . . Our chief inspector, Henry Gosselin, took part in the Glee Club Concert held in January. . . . Lois Blakely, our timekeeper, and her husband "Chick" are now riding around in a brand-new Plymouth. "So comfortable," says Lois. . . . Birthday greetings to John Bogie, Sr., and Emil Latour who both cele-

brated on February 17. Whoops, forgot to mention first, Ralph Peckham, who celebrated on the 11th. Fred Thompson and Phil O'Grady also added another milestone this month. We also have a belated birthday greeting for Wendall Piper, Department 419, who celebrated on January 21. . . . Things never "noodle" now—that Carl Larson is a graduate male nurse with a degree.

Department 419—This Job has a couple of new members they also would like to introduce: Frederick Baarda, who used to work on the Winder Job, is a drill hand. Fred is interested in basketball and bowling. Hollis Booth, the other newcomer, has been out some time because of a layoff. He used to work in Department 421.

CHUCK JOB AND AUTOMATICS

by Dot Antoian

First, let's meet the new help. We welcome the following to Department 418: Anna Benjamin, inspector; Christopher Dona, Ray Patrie, Edmund Plasse, Walter Cuikay, Valdor Allard, James Larson, Andre Remillard, F. Pellatier, William Bilodeau, and Oliver Dumas. Department 417 also has a few additions: Henrietta Hoogendyk has returned as blueprint girl; Joe Connors is an inspection clerk; and George Bouley, recently discharged from the Navy, is an inspector.

Eddie Valk, chuck operator, is married to the former Betty Wood, and they are the proud parents of a 5-month-old son, Edward Alan. . . . Joe Montbleau, recently discharged from the Coast Guard, is married to the former Rita Demers of Uxbridge. They are the parents of two girls—Rosemary, three years old, and 14-month-old Sandra Ann. Joe is with the Inspection Department. . . . Margaret McCudden celebrated her birthday and 24th wedding anniversary on January 7. . . . Other birthdays celebrated were Norman Spratt, February 13; Eddie Rabitor, February 20; and Charles "Rusty" Malkasian, February 27.

Henry Giguere, our former inspector, stopped in to visit us after a six-week leave of absence. Henry was hospitalized for a while, but we're glad to report that he has fully recovered from his illness and has returned to work. Henry has transferred to another department, and not only will we miss him now, but the softball team will miss him when the season gets under way.

Arthur Gamelin retired on February 27 after 44 years of service with the Company. He came to work at Whitin on February 2, 1909 and worked on the Comber Job, Metal Pattern Job, and the Chuck Job. Arthur was presented a purse by his fellow workers with "Cookie" Barnes, foreman, making the presentation. We sincerely hope you will be very happy enjoying the leisurely life which you so greatly deserve.

CAST IRON AND RATTLER ROOMS

by Jim Fallon

Sgt. Frederick Hashey, Jr., son-in-law of Ed Jacques, recently spent a month's furlough at home. Frederick is stationed at Chandler, Minn. . . . Jerry Moussette, inspector, moved into the New Village from Rockdale in February. . . . We welcome three new men to the department: James Coleman and Joe Cantin are on the wheels and E. L. Tarver is employed in the Rattler Room. . . . We are sorry to hear that Clarence Parkhurst, inspector, is in the V.A. hospital in Boston. . . . Mathus Edmonds, brother of Charlie Edmonds, is a newcomer to our department. We welcome him. . . . Leo Forand, who works on the sorting tables, has a new 1952 Ford. . . . Leo Cournoyer is the new truck driver for Department 405. He took Jake Wiersma's job when Jake began driving truck in the Shop.

INSPECTION, JOBBING AND NEEDLE DEPARTMENTS

by William Ayotte

Jobbing Department: We congratulate Sarah Dersarkisian, Frances Kenney, and Rita Vallee who were presented their ten-year service pins. . . . Rita Vallee also celebrated her birthday in February.

Inspection Department: Mrs. Wile, Irene Vermette, and Wallace Allen celebrated birthdays in February. . . . Albert LaPrade is leaving soon to join the Armed Forces. Good luck, Albert, we pray for your safe return. . . . With Lent with us once more, some of the girls have promised to give up pastry and candy. . . . The women in the department have given Mrs. Elsie Magowan a canary and a dog to help keep her company while her son is in the Marines. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gaucher celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary in January. They had dinner at the Steakhouse in Framingham and then continued on to Boston where they enjoyed a show at the Metropolitan Theater. Arthur is employed in Department 438.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

Five men of the office bowled five of our huskiest girls—needless to say, the women lost. A return match is to take place in the near future. Eat your vitamins girls. . . . Clarence Bisson and family have moved to their new home in Uxbridge. . . . Arthur St. Andre moved into his new office on February 10. . . . We welcome the following new members to our department: Pauline Belrose, Louise Zywien, and Mildred Cook. . . . James Nealey recently was presented a 10-year service pin, Harold Libby also received a 10-year pin and William Van Ness a five-year pin. . . . Mrs. Adriene Landry and Mrs. Claire Bonadei who are on a leave of absence will be missed by all. . . . It's a long way from the Freight House office to the Steel Warehouse, so hurry back Rita Turcotte.

Arnold E. Sears is the 15-year-old son of Helen Gaucher of Department 428

William VanNess, Sr., and Mrs. VanNess celebrated their 27th wedding anniversary on February 12. Bill works in Department 453

Margaret Devlin, Spindle Job, is the grandmother of Robert, Louis, and Christine Gianpetro

Mr. and Mrs. John VanderBaan pose for a picture the day after their wedding. The couple were married on January 14

LINWOOD DIVISION DEPARTMENT 450

by Wilbur Baird

Personality of the Month: Carl Hendrickson was born in Narpos, Finland, October 14, 1886. He attended grammar school. He was married on January 14, 1905, and now has five children (two girls and three boys) and eight grandchildren. Carl's hobbies include gardening and quahoging. On February 4, a 10-year service pin was presented to Carl by Divisional Superintendent Donald Sangster.

Carl Nyquist, one of our inspectors, has left us to work for his father in the contracting business. We wish him success. . . . Our time clerk, Mrs. Dorothy Spencer, was out sick for a few days. While she was absent, Mrs. Florianna Cameron took over her duties. . . . Donald Demague, who is now a grandfather, is practicing singing lullabyes while he works and the fellows are quite familiar with the children's songs. . . . Reggie Demague says to watch our department bowling team. He says they are "red hot" and will take the second half of the contest. . . . Norma Baker, formerly with the H. & B. Division in Linwood, has been transferred to the Methods Department. . . . Our sweeper, J. Bedard, is out on an extended leave of absence owing to sickness. We hope he will soon be well again. We welcome Herve Vachon who has taken over temporarily for Mr. Bedard.

Albert Cupka, who has been working in Department 436 for a few weeks is now back with us. We are glad to see him again. . . . Herbert Blair, a former inspector in this department, paid us a visit in February. He has been with the 3595th Food Service Squadron, at the Nellis Air Force Base, in Las Vegas, Nevada. He is now home on a 25-day leave. . . . Pvt. John Farrar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Farrar, is training with the famed 101st Airborne Division, Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky.

MILLING JOB

by Marie VanderBaan

Our Personality for the Month is Wilfred Bouchard. He was born in Uxbridge and received his schooling in Mendon and St. Mary's Academy in Milford. He was married September 19, 1942 while in Service where he spent five and a half years. He saw action in Germany, France and Belgium and was wounded while in Germany.

Before going into the Service he worked as salesman for the Draper Corporation of Hopedale and came to the Whitin Machine Works in 1947 as an inspector. He is now supervisor of inspectors and is very highly spoken of by his fellow workers. He is the proud father of two healthy sons—one six months old and the other six years.

His hobbies are fishing and golfing; he prefers golfing to fishing. He and Mrs. Bouchard own their own home. We hope you may enjoy your family and home for many years to come, Will.

The following employees have received five-year pins: Marie VanderBaan, Arthur Ballou and John Bourgeois. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Haley on their 45th anniversary, February 1. Their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William May, feted them with a dinner at their home in Millbury. . . . Mr. Joseph Palardis is sporting a new Chevvy, the Bel Air, a saddle brown. Happy motoring, Joe. . . . Birthday wishes go to Joseph Jacques, Lionel Laliberty, Ernest Mason, John Nelson, Albert Gagnon, Wilfred Bouchard, Leo Cardin, Sr., Owen Flood, Robert Vachon, John Abraham, Marcel Beaudry, Cecille Berry, Benoit Briere, Agnes Cawley, Louis Demars, and Beatrice Taylor.

George Vincent came home from work the other evening to find his wife had slipped and broken her wrist in the fall. George had to take her to the doctor and hospital. After arriving home, he had to prepare supper which was consumed after 10 o'clock that evening. That was a long stretch between meals. George.

Carl Hendrickson, the Tin Cylinder Job Personality of the Month, is shown with his friend Wenner West. Carl is the man on the right

Sikke Visbeck, the Spindle Job's Personality of the Month, has worked in the department since 1929

SPINDLE JOB

by Ed Bates

Personality of the Month: Sikke Visbeck was born and grew up in Whitinsville. For five years he worked in the Spindle Department under Bert Sweet, then for several years went on the road for George Wilmar.

His service here was interrupted when he secured work with the Manhattan Rubber Works of New Jersey. He returned to the Spindle Job in 1929. Sikke's job is to ream blade holes in clutch shells and to assemble the shells on spindles.

Sikke's married son, Cornelius, lives in Bellingham and is a draftsman apprentice in the Engineering Department. His other son, Sidney, is aboard the U.S.S. "Maury."

S/Sgt. Francis A. Joslin, U.S.M.C., has been a patient at the Great Lakes Naval Hospital, Chicago, Ill., where he was treated for hepatitis, inflammation of the liver. Francis lives in Chesapeake, Ohio, across the Ohio River from Huntington, W. Va., where he is stationed. Fran now has two boys, Martin and Bruce, and a girl, Donna Marine. . . . Joseph Hickey, of this department, broke a finger while at work during February, but is coming along fine as of February 20. . . . Charles Garabedian, Lena McKay, and Donat Picard have all returned after leaves of absence. . . . Department 439 is glad to be taking back those who were laid off because of lack of work. . . . Ysbrand Brower, a retired employee of the Spindle Job Automatics, was in to visit on February 19. He is looking and feeling fine.

CORE ROOM

by Francis Shugrue

Bill Riedle took a trip to Portland, Maine, recently to visit the family of Edward Patterson, who, up to a few years ago, was the night foreman in the Foundry. Ed now runs a small farm outside the city of Portland. His daughter, Frieda, who formerly worked as office clerk in the Core Room, also resides

the Portland area. She is married and is the mother of a baby daughter. Frieda sends her regards to all of her friends in the Core Room.

Ovilla Brooks had the wash-day blues recently. When Brooks gave his wife his work pants to wash in the washing machine, he neglected to take his watch out of his pocket. The pants, along with the watch, went through the machine and then through the wringer. Imagine Brooks' surprise when he hurried home and saw his pants and watch hanging on the line to dry. . . . Joe Lucier hit the jackpot on the recent Gavilan and Davey fight. Joe is now known as the Dave Sagen of the Core Room. . . . The number-one basketball fan in the room is Ray Auclair. Ray takes in three or four games a week throughout the valley. . . . The steak supper that was held by the boys in the room was such a big success that plans are now being made to hold another one. The feast will take place sometime in April.

Stephan Ezigalian has retired after 31 years in the Foundry and Core Room. Steve will be missed by all the boys, for he had a very good sense of humor and was well liked by all of us. Good luck and good health, Steve!

Henry R. Laplante and Louis Bilodeau received ten-year service pins from Mr. Raymon Meader, Foundry superintendent, who made the presentation. Ralph Duquette received a pin for five years' service. . . . Edgar Parent has purchased a 1950 Chevrolet.

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

Our Personality of the Month is Osias J. Chenette. Joe was born in Le Presentation, St. Hyacinthe, Canada, December 20, 1882. His early years, after he left school, were spent working on his father's farm. At the age of 14 he was an apprentice to a blacksmith. After completing his apprenticeship he continued to work at his trade in Canada until April 28, 1911. Then he left Canada to work in Taftville, Conn. Eventually he moved to Willimantic, Conn. where he operated his own combination blacksmith shop, paint shop, and garage. This was burned out on April 18, 1922.

Osias J. Chenette, the Wood Pattern's Personality of the Month, is shown with his son Lionel in Worcester

The lad with the accordion is Richard Chausse, son of Hormidas Chausse, Core Room, and Mrs. Chausse. They make their home in Woonsocket

After this episode, Joe moved to Worcester where he was employed as a woodworker for Curtis and Marble. While working in Worcester he built two new houses which have since been sold. He still owns property in Worcester, real estate being one of Joe's sidelines. On March 12, 1931, Joe was employed as a blacksmith and welder in Fisherville. He moved to Northbridge, his present home, in October 1938. In January 1942, he became a guard at Whitin. He transferred to the Wood Pattern Shop in 1944 and has worked here since then as a repair man on wood patterns. Joe has the distinction of being the only man on the Job who had a perfect attendance during 1952. That's a record of which he can be proud. Joe has three children and three stepchildren, two are girls and three are boys. He also has sixteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A few days ago we had a short visit from Andrew Vierstra, ex-apprentice. Andy received a scholarship from Clark University and left us last September. Andy is doing well on the basketball floor as well as academically. Keep up the good work!

We all hope that by the time this goes to press, Wilfred Whitney will be back with us again. He has been recuperating from an operation at Memorial Hospital in Worcester and we understand he is doing fine. Here's hoping for a quick recovery. . . . Good-by and good luck to Robert Bosworth. Bob has been commuting from Framingham for almost six years and has decided to leave us to take a position at General Motors. . . . Joe Fenner, at this writing, is nursing an injured leg in the Whitinsville Hospital. Joe had an accident going up the ski-tow at Pine Top Ski Slope in South Vernon, Vt., February 14. That's the day Cupid is supposed to have a monopoly on injuries, and not in the leg. All kidding aside, we hope Joe will be back with us soon. . . . Mr. and Mrs. James Fullerton, of South Carolina, have notified Ray Fullerton that he is now the grandfather of a baby boy. Born February 6, James T., Jr. was just a little early for Ray's birthday February 10. . . . In February we had two birthdays: Ray Fullerton and Wilfred Whitney. The news of Ray's birthday spread mysteriously around the Plant and resulted in his receiving singing telegrams, special delivery telegrams, and telephone messages. . . . There were also four wedding anniversaries in February: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bosworth, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Masson and Mr. and Mrs. David Richardson. . . . Raymond Stanovich and Herman Buma celebrate birthdays in March.

BOLT AND PLANER JOBS

by Mel Henry and Ray Woodcome

Our Personality of the Month is Donat Pothier, miller operator, who was born in New Bedford, Mass., attended school there, and moved to Whitinsville in 1942. He has worked on practically every machine in the Large Planer Job where he now runs one of the new Fitchburg millers. He is a quiet and serious fellow who is well liked by everyone in the department. He is married to the former Lillian Decelle of Whitinsville. They have one son, Donald, age three.

Donat has a great interest in sports, especially baseball, football and boxing.

Five-year pins were recently received by Ernest A. Wellman, Louis Bissant, Orestis "Ernie" DiSalvo, David Naromore, and Ralph Walley. . . . Leon Dumas is in Whitinsville Hospital as a result of a serious auto accident. We wish him a quick recovery and the best of health. . . . Andre Labbe now resides in Worcester while Mel

Donat Pothier, the Planer Job's Personality of the Month, takes a walk with his son Donald

The "B Street Horribles" were the winners of the first prize in this Welcome Home Day parade. The "majorette" is Gordon Demague and in the front ranks you may be able to recognize, from the left: Arthur Handfield, Benny Mezynski, Wilbur Baird, Sikke Visbeck, John DeBoer, Leo Bouley, and Mike Highland

Henry has moved from Worcester to Whitinsville. . . . Freddie and Barbara Siepietowski are moving from Church Street to the Overlook Apartments. . . . Mahlin Graves has moved into his new home in South Sutton. . . . Captain Jack Toohey was transferred to Department 406. Bill Spence is replacing him as new skipper down here; a temporary change while Jim Mahoney is recuperating. . . . We understand that the Bolt Job plans the return of their night shift soon. . . . Congratulations to Winnie Salo for making the School Committee in Douglas. All her former associates here are rooting for her success.

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

Personality: Clinton W. Babson (W for Webster), our assistant foreman, has been with Whitin Machine Works since March, 1913, a total of 40 years. "Bab," as he is called in and around the Plant, was born in Douglas "umph" years ago. He lives on Woodland Street, Whitinsville, with his wife whom he married over 33 years ago. He used to be quite a bowling fan but as the years rolled by, rolling a ball became more difficult and "Bab" is satisfied to watch from the sidelines now. He enjoys his record collection, and keeping a garden in the summer. For many years he and wife were part of the group known as the "Winter Dance Party," made up of couples from this and surrounding towns, who enjoyed dancing. His favorite vacation spot is Pigeon Cove.

The accompanying picture tells a tale we have long doubted, and sought the proof of—Joe Witek and his fabulous fish stories. We know Joe goes fishing, but what he brings back is always a question. Your reporter goes fishing and there is no doubt about what he brings back—nothing. Here is the evidence on Joe and we take back everything we said or thought about your fish stories, Joe.

Your reporter would be pleased to receive some snapshots or pictures that are along the human interest line, that is, a picture that tells a story.

Margaret Marshall, our news producer, has just returned from a week-end trip to New York, where she visited Alice Ferguson, who used to be in the Main Office and is now employed in New York. Margaret didn't enjoy the subways one bit, but in order to get to Alice's home where the "boids choip oily in da morning" (Brooklyn), it's necessary to use this means of travel. She almost got left behind once when the doors started to shut, but she just stuck out her elbows and forced them open until she got in. She took in shopping and shows (including the hit "The King and I"). They arrived (Margaret was accompanied by Ruth Marshall, also of the Main Office staff) Friday at 5:30 p.m. and "did" the town Saturday, returning Sunday.

Another trip to New York was that of Ann Gniadek and husband Rudy of the Tool Job, only theirs was a spur-of-the-moment idea, leaving Saturday afternoon, and zooming back on Sunday. They visited Rudy's sister on Long Island. We certainly get around up here. . . . We are sorry to have Bill Malley, our timekeeper, leave us. Bill has been one of the Ring Job family for three years and while we regret losing him, we welcome Robert Theroux of Slatersville, who recently completed four years of Navy service, reaching the rank of 3rd class petty officer, as Bill's replacement. Bill can be seen in the Core Room office after February 20. . . . We also lose another long-time Ring Job man in having Arthur Morin take up work at General Motors in Framingham. Good luck, Art. . . . Jim Gusney has entered Deaconess Hospital, Boston, after being back to work only a short time from his long illness. Hope you're really cured this time, Jim.

MYSTERY PHOTO—The man with the straw hat shown last month was Joe Checchi of the Foundry. Do you know the man on the right?

Joe Witek, Ring Job, caught these pickerel in Meadow Pond

This group represented Whitinsville in basketball during 1911 and 1912. Standing, from the left: Bill McSheehy, Phil Boyd, Frank McSheehy. Seated: George Rae, Sam Spence and John Ferguson

In June of 1927, this group visited Linden Scott, who was training with the C.M.T.C. at Fort Adams, Newport, R. I. From the left: James Scott, Pat McGovern, Adelbert Emmot, John Vanderzee, Archie Fournier, Wilfred Whitney, Ray Fullerton, Robert McDonald, Linden Scott, and Francis Joslin. The boy is the nephew of James Scott

TOOL JOB

by Arthur J. Richards

Personality of the Month: Albert Dion was born in North Attleboro, Mass., on May 15, 1906. He went through grammar and high school there. Through the acrobatic experience that he obtained in the Y.M.C.A. there, he became a member of an acrobatic and tight-rope walking act consisting of three people. They toured the country for 15 years in such shows as Hagenback and Wallace, Cristy Bros., Downey Bros., and Tom Mix. His most recent experience was with Lucky Teter and His Hell Drivers. Since then he has worked for General Electric Co., Watertown Arsenal, Draper Corp. and the past eight years with the Whitin Machine Works. Al is better known by his fellow workers as "Special Job Al."

The column this month is written by Arthur J. Richards, pinch hitting for George Jones who recently went to St. Vincent's Hospital for an operation. At this writing, George is doing very well and is expected back to work soon. We'll be pleased to have George back with his usual smile. . . . Tony Belval put his pipe in his pocket and had a toasted sandwich. . . . George Moran went to the Clear Water Inn to celebrate his anniversary. The M.C. announced that the greatest singer in the Blackstone Valley was in their midst and would favor them with a good old Irish song, "My Wild Irish Rose." Poor George can't even carry a tune and had a tough time talking himself out of that situation. I guess the next time that George goes out to celebrate he'll look around to see if any of his Uxbridge friends are there. George is also a lover of animals and when he saw a rat the other day he rushed out to get him some food. Oh no, George, that wasn't rat poison, or was it?

Charles Garabedian has left the office to work out on the floor and is being replaced by Hector Girouard of Uxbridge. Welcome to Department 454, Hector. . . . Howard Walker was called to serve on the jury last month and seemed to enjoy his duties very much. Incidentally, Howard didn't trim his waistline down from overwork on the jury. The truth of the matter is that Howard is on a diet and is determined to collect a bet that was made a year ago on St. Patrick's

Albert Dion is the Tool Job's Personality of the Month

Ernest Goyette, of the Research Division, shown sitting next to the driver of this two-cylinder Maxwell, had his first automobile ride 41 years ago

LIBBEY ELECTED PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

Mr. C. P. Libbey, Foreman of the Sanitation Department, was elected president of the Industrial Sanitation Management Association at a meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, January 19.

The purpose of this national organization is to improve sanitation standards and standardize cleaning procedures in industry.

Day. The loser will gladly pay the bet on March 17 because of the enjoyment of seeing the sad look on Howard's face every time someone even mentions food. . . . We are all glad to see John Calnan around the Job again. Also, Jack Conlon and Alfred Rubega who were out ill. . . . A newcomer on the Job is John McLaughlin from Blackstone. We hope he likes working with us. . . . Vic Oby has left Department 454 and is working in Woonsocket. We want to wish him luck on his new job.

METHODS DEPARTMENT

by Jean Cunningham

Charlie Brouwer enjoyed a visit to Washington a short time ago. He went to visit his sisters and drove their car down for them. He had a very pleasant trip from all reports. . . . The fellows are planning a dinner so they all can have a chat with our good friend, Ed Mandeville, who retired a few months ago. Plans are already in the making and from all reports it should be a big success with a grand time for all. . . . Punjab Misakian and Harley Buma are making their purchase of the Willow Club a big success. Punjab says anyone interested in having a hall for an evening can contact him or Harley and the hall can be used for absolutely no charge. Pretty good deal, huh?

Our little undernourished fellow-worker, Big Bill Neulieb, isn't taking any chances with his health. Any afternoon you can see him making his way across the hall to Avis Hawkins' shopping bag and the ample supply of cookies she brings along with her lunch each day.

Jack Lalor has taken up cooking, or so he says. Baking apple pies is his specialty. Herbie Andrews has put a little weight on by sampling the pies, so Jack takes all the credit. Jack's fellow workers won't take any chances, for they think he is using Herbie as a guinea pig. All Herbie wants to know is when is Jack going to try a squash pie? If Herbie only knew!

Don Lange and Rene Thibeault want everyone to know that they have turned the tables on Walter Frieswick and Ed McNamee in their card game at noon. They took my advice, I guess, and now Walter and Ed are 31 in the red and Rene and Don are 25 ahead of them. Keep it up, boys, you're doing fine! . . . Lou Chapman is getting worried because his wife thinks that he is much too forgetful. She has threatened to put a tag on his coat so he will positively know where he lives when it is time to go home. I bet Lou finds his memory will improve very shortly. . . . The boys get the birthday cake this month. March brings congratulations to Walter Frieswick, Abrah Leibovitch, Archie Misakian, Rene Morel and Everett Swenson. Many happy returns, fellows!

One day in February we learned that at one time Dave Magill was quite a roller skater—he proved it, too. He and George Hartley were talking about the art of skating and Dave started to show George how it

Do you remember the colorful parades held in Whitinsville a few years ago? Maybe you recall the parade of July 4, 1929, in which appeared this creation by the Electrical Department. From the left: Bill Burke, John Wright, Burton Robie, Tom Mateer, Unknown, George Rae, Bill Britten, and Tim Nutter

was done. He proceeded to act out the art of turning the corner (the right way, mind you) but he didn't quite succeed. Dave had forgotten you have to watch your balance and he swung right around onto the floor. Hale and hearty as he is, didn't even get a scratch—except to his pride.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

by Aileen Blakely

We all wish to welcome Arthur Johnson back into the Maintenance Department after two years' service with Uncle Sam. Before entering the U. S. Army in February of 1951, he worked for Richard Davidson at the Carpenter Shop. We are all glad to see you back at your old job once more.

With the coming of spring everyone seem to be moving in the Maintenance Depart ment. At the present, Jim Chiras has move office and job down cellar next to Fran Searles' new stockroom, and Esten Lermon of the Saw Filing Department has move down where Frank Searles' stockroom use to be. Goodness, before long the whol Maintenance Department will be all change around!

COST DEPARTMENT

by Dick Hanny and Cleve Reynolds

The welcome mat is out for Phil Myers of Worcester and Lucien Horent of Woonsocket. Phil, a graduate of Worcester School of Business Science and formerly employed in the Cost Department at Harrington and Richardson, joins the Twister group. Lucien, a Hill College graduate and former time clerk, joins the Spinning group. . . . Dick Hanny became the first member of our department to purchase a 1953 car—a Bel Air, Chevrolet. Better watch out for Norm Deragon and his 1937 Buick, Dick. Cars of that vintage are really built as a Woonsocket owner of a new Dodge will testify. . . . We received a letter from Paul Drolet, a former employee, now employed at Pacific Car & Foundry Company, Renton, Washington, as a machine accountant. He tells of a fine eight-day trip along the southern route visiting Grand Canyon National Park, Shasta Dam in North California, Mt. Rainier National Park. . . . We hear Henry Lawton keeps busy on week ends. He is renovating his home on Pine Street. . . . Joe Krol received his five-year pin in February. . . . Anne Wojtalik is wishing these days she could be enjoying the pleasant shores of Cuba where her mother, Mrs. Ora Emonds of Douglas, is spending the winter months.

Birthday wishes to: Dexter Allen, Marguerite Turcotte, Helen Cotter, Cal Hubbard, and Florence Perry. . . . Wedding anniversaries: Frank and Mrs. Widor, their seventh; Ted and Mrs. Fronczak, their seventh; and John and Mrs. Chatty, their second.

The rocky wall on which Pvt. Robert W. Bosma is seated is in front of the United Nations building in Seoul, Korea. Bill formerly worked in Methods

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

by Peggy Boudreau

We regret to say that Johnny Lash was in the hospital for a serious operation but he has successfully recuperated and we hope to have him back with us before long. . . . Frank Newton was out several days with a slight touch of pneumonia, and Janet Pieleski and Jim Orrell were out over a week with the grippe, but everyone is back to work safe and sound. . . . Mill trips were made by Al Roy, Jim Orrell and Earl Wood. . . . Richard Ramsbotham was presented his five-year pin from Wally Meigs on February 1. Congratulations, Dick! . . . Robert McCallum was getting very poor reception on a TV channel and thought that something was wrong with his TV antenna, so he climbed on his roof three times to find the fault. Finally, his wife heard that the trouble was at the TV station. . . . We welcome Michael Sollecito to our big happy family. Mike comes from Centerdale, R. I., is married and is the father of two children. He formerly worked at the Hemphill Company of Pawtucket, which produces automatic circular knitting machines. It's nice to have you with us, Mike. . . . Harold Miller and Ray Burke have been promoted to full-fledged draftsmen, and Charles Drummond has been transferred from a draftsman's position to that of standards engineer, succeeding Wally Meigs. Charlie is now the head of the up-and-coming Engineering Standards Section. Congratulations to you all!

A stag party was held for Jake Kooistra at the Klondike Inn, Farnumsville, in February. Speeches were made by Mr. Helland who presented Jake with a purse of money from the Engineering and Master List Departments, and Wally Meigs, who presented Jake with a Parker pen-and-pencil set from just the men who attended the stag. Other speakers included: Allen Hastings, Al Roy, Chet Greenwood, Ed Marshall, and Jim Orrell. Ken Piper, George Deeks, Ernest Plante, Ed Desjourdy, and Jim Roddy (led by Harry Roy) sang such songs as "Auld Lang Syne," "Down by the Old Mill Stream," and "Allouette." Somebody suggested singing "California, Here I Come" but no one knew the words. Jim Roddy told a couple of terrific jokes. Joe Branigan did a splendid piece of work as master of ceremonies. Everyone who attended had a very good time. Jake and his wife left for California the following week and plan to take up residence there. The best of luck, Jake, to you and your wife; you will be long remembered by a great many of us.

Jay Bishop prepares to execute the skiing maneuver known as the "Sitzmark"

MAIN OFFICE

by Elia Dell'Orco

Officials of the Olympics, hold open the gates and hold tight to your trophies, the Main Office Champs are on their way. That versatile group, consisting of Thelma Meader, Fran Guertin, Gloria Frabotta, Connie Dale, Shirley Lightbown, Jay Bishop, May Hutcheson, Nellie Spratt, Eva O'Keefe, Virginia Burke, and Jack Bolton, Jr. did m-i-g-h-t-y-well on that recent trip to South Vernon, Vt., and if those tracks looked a little broad, well, we must remember that many a victory was won from "behind" the lines. . . . And after that icy interlude, know what would feel pretty nice? A few rays of that Florida sunshine—and it must have been warm at Daytona Beach to judge from the glowing tan Mr. Foley is wearing these days after his two weeks' stay there.

"You mean I'm supposed to slide down that?" Here, shown on the recent ski trip, are Gloria Frabotta, May Hutcheson, and Frances Guertin

Everyone agrees, the Main Office abounds in beauty. No wonder, after seeing Thelma Meader modeling her own lovely wedding dress in the fashion show held at the Congregational Church not too long ago. . . . Several Sundays ago an amazing amount of talent was displayed on the Community Opticians' Television Show in the person of James Edward Nichols of Belmont, Mass., aged five, and grandson of our own Bryant Nichols, who is, needless to say, quite proud of this miniature "song and dance man," and I know he won't mind my mentioning that James received the second highest number of votes for his performance. . . . It seems that Norman Shaw has discovered the perfect recipe for working overtime. Ingredients: One box of pay envelopes, filled to the top—and one pair of slippery hands. Procedure: Drop box on floor at a fairly convenient time. Sounds good? Perhaps, but I have at least one suggestion to make. It might be well to have Gordon Rankin wait outside in his new 1952 Chevvy just in case this "overtime" proves too, too strenuous.

Yes, there were more than nine pretty girls at Sophie Levitre's house, but Sally Mantashigian was operating the camera. This group works in the Main Office

When I mention that a good time was had by all I mean the visit some of the girls paid to Sophie Levitre two or three weeks ago. Not only did these wonderful guests bring their own refreshments, but as you can see by the photo Sally Mantashigian snapped, they provided their own entertainment too! . . . Merrie Melodies for March: A "Happy Birthday" tune for George Kellstrand, Jim Robertson, Edna Bergquist, Sally Mantashigian, James Colthart, Leonard Baldwin, and Dick Conlee and a double feature Birthday and Anniversary Song for Gene Kennedy.

WAGE STANDARDS

by John Romasco

Howdy, everyone! This is "Curly" Romasco taking over temporarily for "Giggie" Fettuccia. . . . How time flies! It seems like yesterday when Jean Cahill came to us at Standards, yet there she was in Gordon Spence's office beaming and smiling as she was presented her five-year pin. Good luck, Jeannie. . . . We also congratulate Al Cousins upon receipt of his 25-year pin, and John Stachan who received his 25-year pin. . . . Best wishes for a speedy recovery from all of us to Mrs. Elizabeth Brown and Ben Musket. . . . Wayne Stinson has been transferred from Standards to the Treasurer's Office. . . . We're very happy to welcome back to the fold "Lee" Watson who was in sunny Florida for a while. . . . "Curly" Rothemich is leaving Whitin to accept a position with Universal Winding. Wish you every success, "Al." . . . Birthday greetings to: Maria Beccia, Jody Covinini, Vicky Gigarjian, Alden Rosa, Ralph Stinson, Harold Tallman, and Yours Truly.

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Tad Wallace, Dorsey Devlin, and Gloria Carter

This month we bring to you a personality who is well known to everyone, although he has been with us but a comparatively short time. Lucien "Champ" Champagne started

If Hollywood sees this, the Production Office is apt to lose their Personality of the Month, Lucien "Champ" Champagne. Yes, girls, he's married

to work at Whitin in 1948 on the Ring Job, went to Crib No. 5 after a year and a half, and then to Expediting, the position that he holds today. "Champ," who has a personality that wins over everyone with whom he comes in contact, is a veteran of World War II, serving two and one-half years with the Marine Corps in the Pacific theater. He was wounded in the invasion of Iwo Jima, received the Purple Heart, and was sent to Sun Valley, Idaho, to recuperate before his discharge. "Champ" is married and the father of two daughters, Mary Ann, 11 years old, and Sandra, who is nine. His hobbies are fishing and rooting for the Yankees.

Bill Kearnan must be trying to prove the old saying "Even if there is snow on the roof, the fire is not out inside," for he came in one morning with the new college-boy style of different colored socks.

You people in Foundry Production must be missing your column each month. Justly so, as Red Vincent has been complaining that he cannot give us news that you people don't give him. Let's hear from you.

The following personnel were presented their service pins by F. O. Rizer on January 21. Five-year pins went to Ernest Donais, Lionel Rondeau, Lucien Cassista, Frederick Chaffee, Edna Courtemanche, Norman Jussaume, Georgia Lamson, Andrew Meszaro, William Kearnan, Exilda Walker, Alice Boisvert, Anne McCann and James Wayland. Ten-year pins went to Margaret Racicot, Eva Dumas, Nellie Parker and Fernande Arpin. Congratulations to all of you, and may you add many more years to your service records.

A hearty "welcome home" to Normand Goudet, who has come back to work at Whitin after a tour of duty in Korea. Norm was the shop planner at Department 430 before entering the Service. . . . Congratulations to Winnie Salo and Norman Jussaume upon the occasion of their being elected to the School Committee in Douglas.

How many people happened to catch the "Eddie Zack" show on television Saturday, February 14? If you did, you perhaps were as surprised as your reporter to see and hear our own Benjamin Sisters, Shirley, Betty Pat (Courtemanche) and "Little" Mickey as guest artists on the Harvest Bread Show. They certainly gave their usual fine performance. I have it on good authority that they were asked to appear at a rather late date which gave them little time to prepare for the show. Congratulations, girls! I know it was your first television appearance but I'll bet it will not be your last. Next time, however, I hope that we have advance notice so that more of your fans will have an opportunity to see and hear you.

Seems "Material Req. Spec." chose the month of February for buying new cars. Patty and Jimmy Remillard are the proud owners of a 1953 Plymouth, and Hector Chausse traded his hot-rod for a new Chevrolet. . . . We welcome Ann Hammond to our force in the Production Office. Ann is going to work for Mr. Harry Segal. . . .

Pvt. Donald J. Picard, formerly employed in Crib No. 5, is attending Band School in Germany

We welcome Dot Ebbeling back to work after a month's leave. Dottie's husband has just returned from duty with the Army in Korea.

February 12 was another gay night celebrated by the members of the Production Department. A Valentine party, organized by Betty Zac and Julie McMullin, was held at the Gridiron Club in Woonsocket. A tasty chicken dinner was enjoyed by all.

Notes from No. 5: There are two new faces at No. 5 this month, for Harold Hoekstra and Eugene Berube have joined us. We hope they will enjoy working here. . . . Pfc. Gene DiCostanzo, who is in Korea, writes us that he enjoys reading the SPINDLE each month. Gene also tells us that on his way to Korea he came across George Backstael, who also worked in No. 5. They were together until they hit the battle zone. Good luck and God bless you both.

PAYROLL COMPUTATION, TABULATING, BUDGETS, STATEMENTS AND OFFICE TIMEKEEPING

by Edith Allen

The Tabulating Department attended a machine accounting demonstration at the Shelton Hotel, Boston, on February 25. They acquired valuable information and enjoyed a delicious dinner. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Donald Crosby (Margaret, of Computation) have moved into their recently completed Cape Cod type home on the Hartford Turnpike in Sutton. . . . We miss the two girls who recently left the office, Margaret Hanny in late February and Barbara Trilligan in early March, but we know with what pleasure they are anticipating visits by the stork.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Wishing Well: President, John Shaw, Statements; vice-president, Shirley Hinchliffe, Mr. Thompson's office; secretary, Irene Marteka, Payroll Computation; Gift Committee, Mary McDonald and Virginia Wood, Payroll Computation, and Emily Quigley, Office Timekeeping; auditor, Victor Hendry, Budgets. Committees appointed: Party Committee—Victoria Roy, Payroll Computation; Isabel Kasparian, Statements; James Burke, Auditing; Phyllis McQuilken, Budgets; Dexter Allen, Cost. Nominating Committee—Louis Vanderloop, Budgets; George Kane, Office Timekeeping; and Constance Deslauriers, Payroll Computation.

We congratulate Fred Garcelon, Supervisor of Statements, on the speed with which he is recovering from a broken ankle. He suffered an accident in front of the Plant some weeks ago. . . . Fred Garcelon and Ruth Kellaher have birthdays in March.

REPAIR SALES DEPARTMENT

by Joyce Rondeau

Our Personality of the Month is Albin W. Nelson who has a veritable wealth of knowledge on Whitin repair parts. Albin has been with Whitin since March 3, 1912. Mr. Nelson was born on a farm in Southwick, Mass., and received his schooling in

This happy group is the night shift of the Production Department at their Christmas Party. From the left: Mary Cencak, Irene Lavallee, Hilda DeBoer, Ennice Evers, Shirley Burke, and Blanche Fullerton

ringfield. Before coming to Whitin, Albin s employed by the Kibbe Candy Co., and believe that accounts for his sunny position.

Mr. Nelson is an ardent sportsman who d to hunt and fish with the best of them. has been the president of the Meadow-w Gun Club since May 15, 1914. Not ly is Albin a good sport, but he is well rsed in the culinary art as the other mbers of the club can attest. Mr. Nelson interested in all sports, and although his aying days are over, he used to love golf d baseball. Both Boston baseball teams ve a rabid follower in Mr. Nelson.

Albin is a member of the Village Congrega-nal Church, the Granite Lodge, A.F. & M., and Aletheia Grotto of Worcester. r. and Mrs. Nelson have two children and e grandchildren.

We extend a cordial welcome to Mrs. race Heath, formerly employed at Ware att, and Mrs. Madeline Leaver, who many ll remember as teller at the Whitinsville vings Bank. . . . Mrs. Betty Valk has turned to our department after a leave of sence. . . . A recent visitor was Evelyn vreau, now employed at Wyman-Gordon Grafton. . . . A party was held recently Mizzy's for Pauline Baldwin, Agnes ratt, and Gertrude LaFleur who have all ft to take up domestic duties. . . . Ann arter is the new secretary in the Foreign ivision.

Many of our co-workers are sporting round in new cars, among them being uth Crothers, Lillian Mathurin and Adam avidson. Adam, by the way, is second igh man in the bowling league. We are roud to have him as a representative of e Repair bowling team. Also, the Whitin asketball Team, of which Adam is coach, at this writing tied with MacBens in the Vorcester League.

Our department head, Mr. McKaig, vaca-oned in the Florida sun with Mrs. McKaig. . . . Lucille Buma and Charles Noble had alentine birthdays last month. . . . Birth-ay greetings also go to Lillian Mathurin, ohn Alden, and Betty Valk. . . . The izzeria in Woonsocket was the scene of a arty held by the girls in the department. aturally, pizza pie was the main dish.

To Clarence Roy, Department 432, and Mrs. Roy, a son, William Robert, January 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Jillson, a daugh-er, Lucy Melanie, at Woonsocket Hospital, January 30.

To Norman Goulet, Rattling Room, and Mrs. Goulet, a daughter, Joanne, Woonsocket Hospital, January 27.

To Eugene Duhamel, Metal Patterns, and Mrs. Duhamel, a daughter, Doreen, Jan-uary 25.

To Kirkor Barsamian, Metal Patterns, and Mrs. Barsamian, a daughter, Lucy, February 10.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Brouillette, a daughter, Linda May, at the Whitinsville Hospital, January 8.

To Mr. and Mrs. Louis Yacino, a son, Alan Roy, at the Whitinsville Hospital, January 25.

To Philip Myers, Cost Department, and Mrs. Myers, a daughter, Paula Maura, February 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Slottow, of Upper Darby, Pa., a son, Michael, on February 15. Mrs. Slottow is the former Jean Cousins of Payroll Computation.

To Stuart K. White, Foundry, and Mrs. White, a son, Stuart Keith, Jr., at the Whitinsville Hospital, February 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Oles, a son, John Stanley, at the Milford Hospital, January 30. Mrs. Oles is the former Cecelia Bilodeau.

To Raymond Dupras, Department 414, and Mrs. Dupras, a daughter, Christine Diana, at Hahnemann Hospital, February 16.

To Alfred Pouliot, Department 414, and Mrs. Pouliot, a daughter, Linda Rita, at Memorial Hospital, February 11.

To Raymond Smith, Department 414, and Mrs. Smith, a daughter, Cheryl, at Whitinsville Hospital.

To Jack Ratcliffe, Production Department, and Mrs. Ratcliffe, a son, Kevin John, January 28.

To Harvey Royer, Production Department, and Mrs. Royer, a son, at the Whitinsville Hospital.

To Oliver Marshall, No. 5 Stores Room, and Mrs. Marshall, a daughter, February 15.

To Raymond Achorn, Jr., and Mrs. Achorn, a son, Lawrence Anthony, 6 pounds 6 ounces, at the Whitinsville Hospital, January 28.

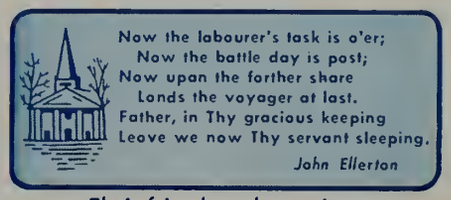
To Mr. and Mrs. Kollett, a son, Russell Wayne, 7 pounds 9 ounces, February 13.

John Gonsorcik, Department 429, married to Ellen Daige, at Sacred Heart Church, Hopedale, February 14.

Ernest Kroll, Wood Pattern Job, engaged to Constance Goulet of Webster.

Margaret Spratt, Department 465, engaged to Robert Nadeau of Webster. Robert works for the F.B.I. in the state of New York.

Elizabeth Ann Jewett of Westboro became the bride of William VanNess on January 10 at St. Luke's Church, Westboro. The groom, now in the U. S. Nary, formerly worked in Department 453



Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Chester Farrar, Department 453, on the recent death of Mrs. Farrar.

Henry Spearman, Department 405, on the death of his mother.

Survivors of Donald Kazarian who passed away January 8.

Joseph Malinowski, Department 405, on the death some months ago of his mother-in-law.

Survivors of Robert E. Jordan, manager of the Blue Eagle, who died suddenly on February 5 at his apartment. He had worked at the Inn since 1935.

Survivors of Thys Baker, 52, who died January 26 at the Whitinsville Hospital after a brief illness.

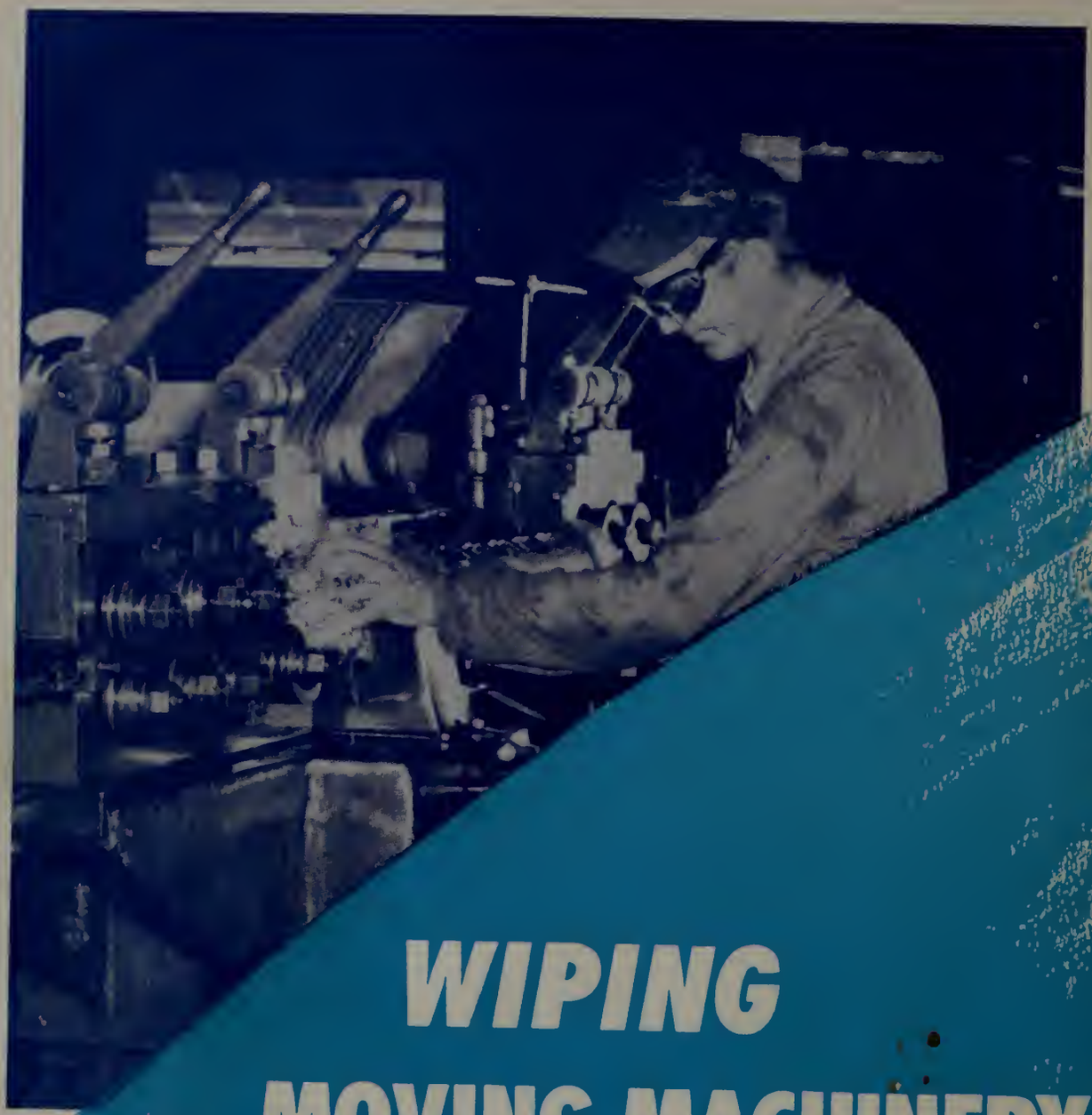
Survivors of Alexander T. Brown, 80, who died at his home, 74 Main Street, Whitinsville, February 2. He retired as foreman of the Milling Job three years ago after 61 years of service at the Whitin Machine Works. He had been in ill health for some years.

Leonard Plasse, Foundry, whose father died on January 31.

Arthur Wilson, of the Engineering Department, and Mrs. Wilson, on the recent death of Arthur's mother.

Louis and Albert Roy, of the Ring Job, on the loss of their mother, February 14.

Sarah Dersarkisian, Department 425, on the death of her grandfather.



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THE WHITIN Spindle

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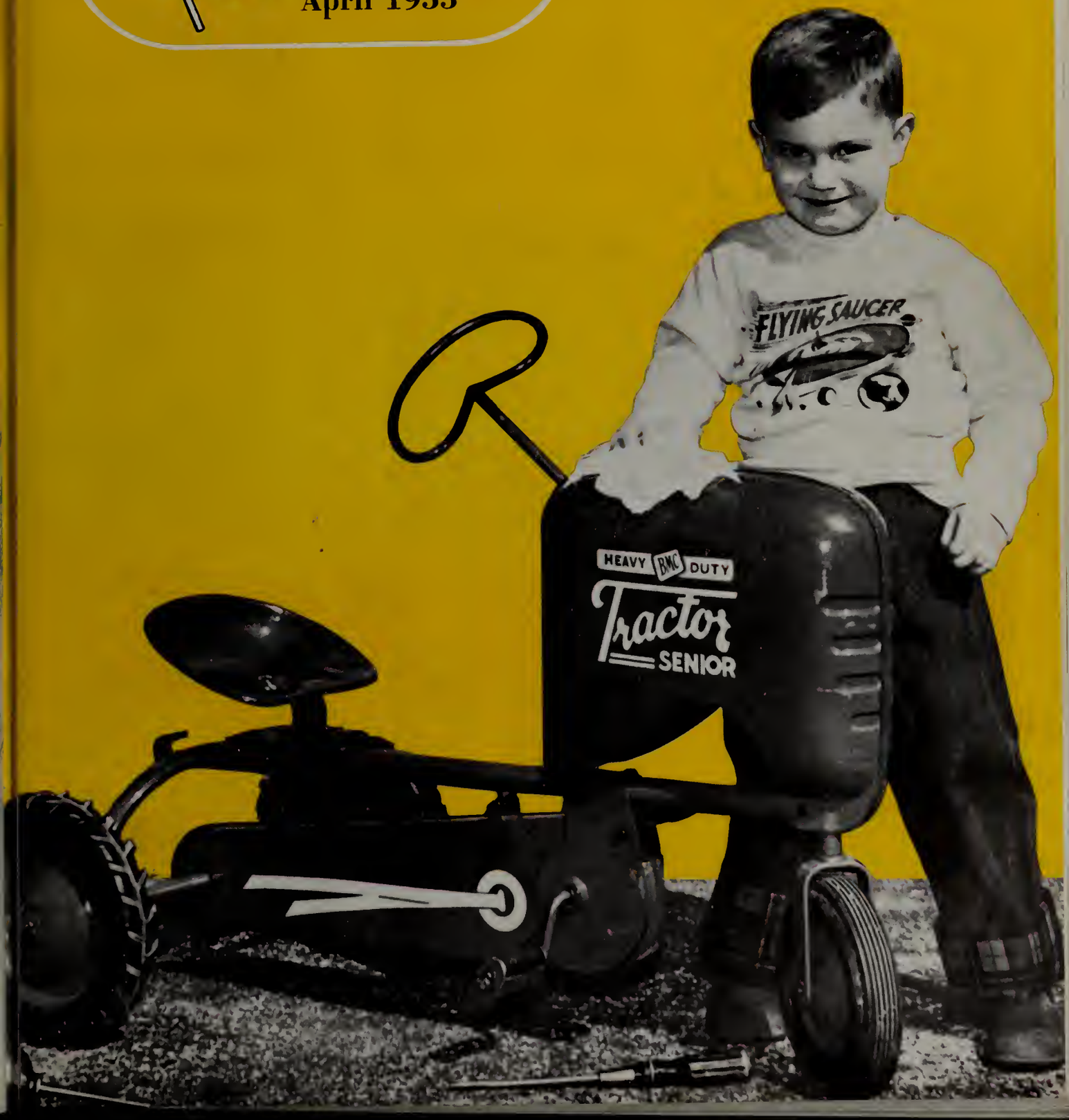

Familiar Faces

Around the Plant

Karl Rankin has been employed on the Metal Pattern Job for 36 years. He and Mrs. Rankin live in Whitinsville and his hobby is gardening

Bernard Howard, Gear Job, served three and one half years in the Army in World War II. He has two children. His hobby—sports

Sophie Oleksyk, time clerk in 412 since 1943, lives in Uxbridge. Sophie's hobby is swimming, a sport she enjoys throughout the year

Mary Hugley has worked in Department 427 since the first day she came to Whitin in 1942. Her husband Bill is employed on the Milling Job

Hermon Buma is a pattern maker in the Shop, but in Uxbridge he is a mortician. He is married and has two daughters and a son

Francis Shugrue, care maker and "Spindle" reporter, started at Whitin in 1933. He is married and has two sons and a daughter

Robert Lawson, Department 411, has 41 years at Whitin. He recently completed a new home on Linwood Avenue. His hobby is fishing

BOLSTERS *for the Textile Industry*

Bolsters and bolster cases—about 20,000 of each week—are the finished products made by the 75 workers of Department 438. A bolster revolves not, neither does it spin, but the care and precision with which our bolsters are finished to tolerances of from .002 to .0005 inches play an important part in making Whitin textile machines the world's best.

It is common practice to measure the size of a mill installation in numbers of spindles, yet many fail to realize that for every Whitin spindle there must be a Whitin bolster and bolster case. The bolster and case make up a unit which secures the spindle to the frame and also contains an oil reservoir to keep it lubricated. Cotton, wool, nylon, rayon and other fibers are spun on spindles of many sizes and so it is necessary for the Bolster Job to make in the neighborhood of 100 different sizes of bolsters and cases.

Almost but not quite all of the work done in finishing these devices is done on the Bolster Job. A few of the smaller steel oilite-bearing bolsters are now made in the Charlotte Shop, and the milling on one surface of one of the larger bolsters is done in Department 416. Most bolsters and all bolster cases are made of gray cast iron poured in our Foundry and, after sandblasting, finished by the men and women under Foreman Edgar A. Duhamel and Assistant Foreman Ira Maghakian.

Each bolster undergoes about 30 operations in transition from a rough casting from the Foundry to a finished piece ready to be installed on a Whitin frame. The crude casting is first rough ground to a diameter that will fit the four single-spindle Cleveland Automatics, which in turn rough-turn, square, chamfer, drill, ream, finish-turn, and face-off the bolster and chamfer and turn the bolster end. Near these machines two special Clevelands drill, square, chamfer, and tap the bolster case nuts.

From this point many special machines, many built by our Tool Job, take over. The step on which the

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A great variety of bolsters and cases are made in Department 438. Foreman Edgar Duhamel and Assistant Foreman Ira Maghakian show how parts vary in size

Alexander Pawelczyk, operator on the left, turns and squares up bolster in first operation on Cleveland Automatics. Jacob Frankian, set-up man, is shown on the right

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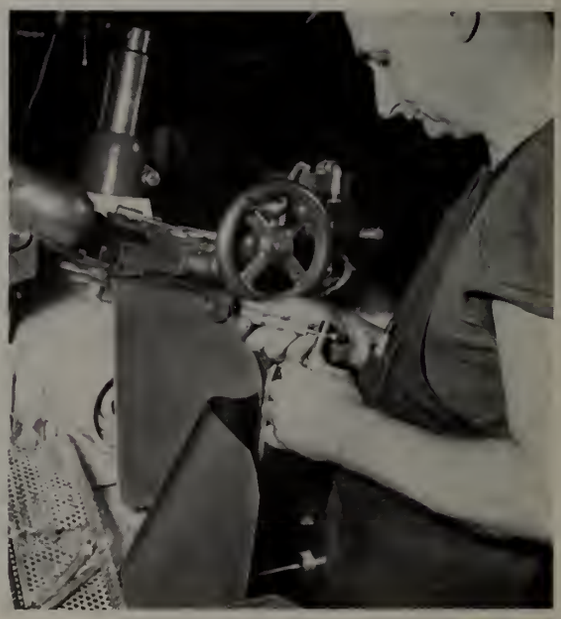
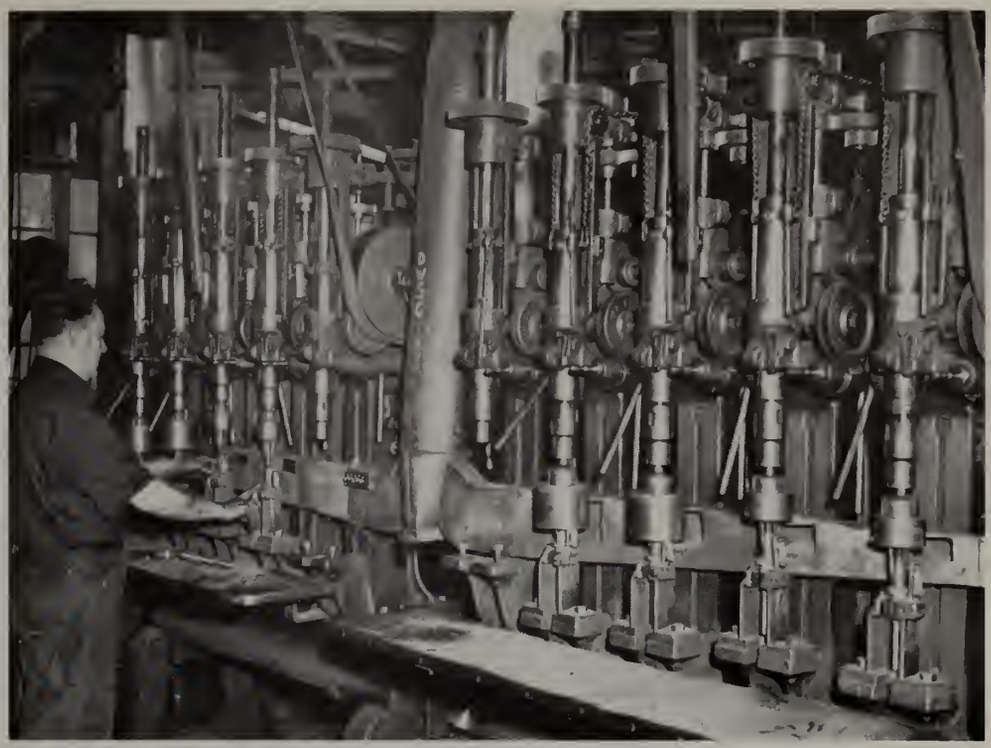
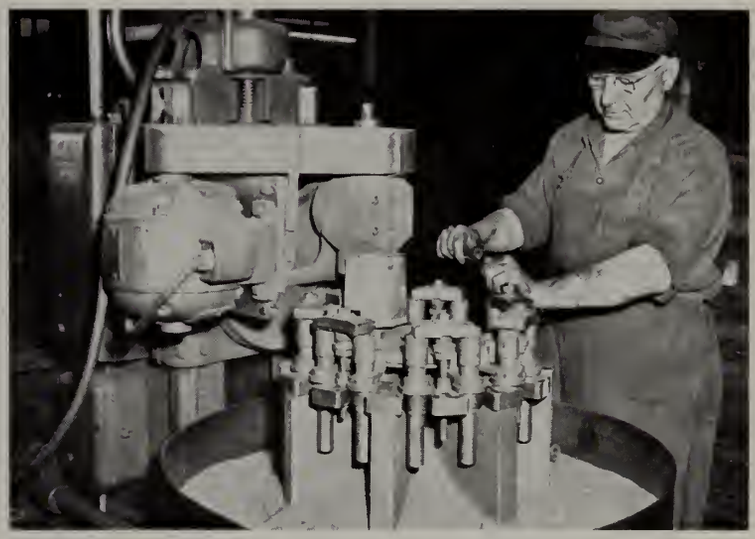
The first operation on a bolster case is the drilling of the lengthwise hole. Henry Gervais is shown starting one of the seven drills he uses to perform this operation



Harold Flinton, grinder hand, checks bearing diameter on bolsters after grinding operation. Diameter must be held within .0005"

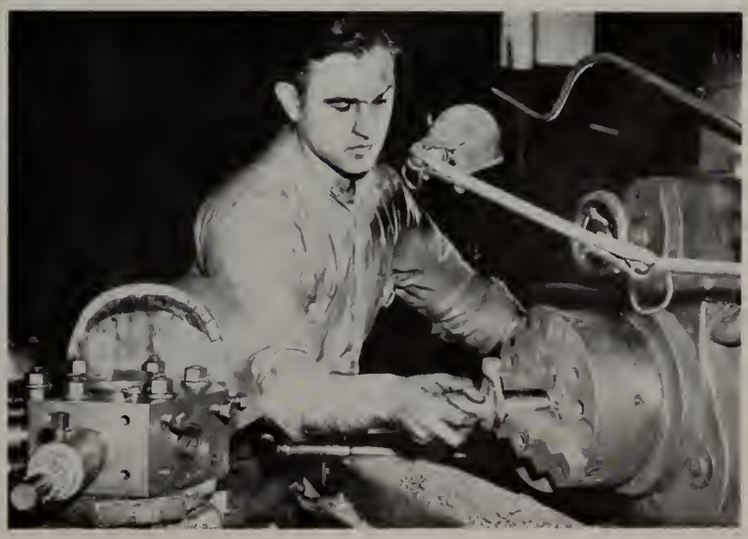


oseph Rascoe operates rtical lathe which turns ecks of bolster cases to within .010"

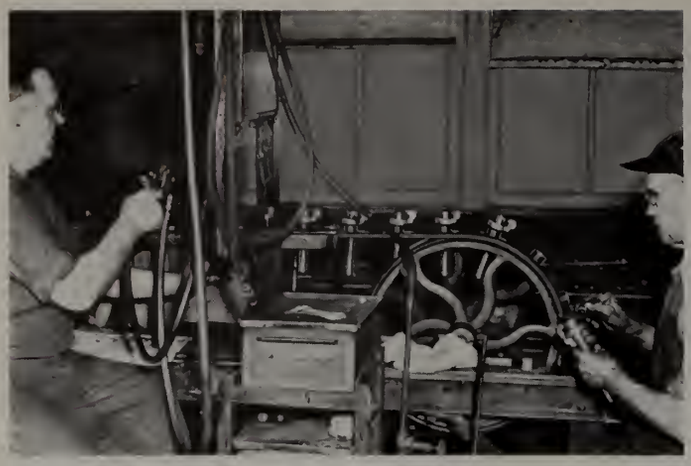


Above: Lathe with five cutting tools performs multiple operations simultaneously. Operator of machine is Walter Lemeshersky

Center right: Converted gear cutter speeds up milling of doffer guard post on bolster case. Anthony Destefinus is shown securing bolsters in machine



Lower right: Neck of large bolster cases are turned, counterbored and reamed on Warner-Swasey turret lathe. Operator of machine is Archie Gigarjian



Painting of bolster cases is handled by a three-man crew. Severin Houle is shown loading the conveyor belt, William VanderSloot is painting them with a spray gun and Doria Belanger, not shown, unloads cases after they pass through drying chamber. The cycle is completed every five minutes

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spindle rides is drilled on a special reaming lathe, the bolster receives another finish-turning, and the bearing is ground to a tolerance of .0005 inches by means of an automatic feeding device. After an oil return groove is cut, a special two-spindle drill bores holes for the staples which prevent the bolster from turning in the bolster case. The staples are inserted at a nearby bench and the oil-slots are then cut on another special machine. The bolster is now complete.

The bolster cases undergo a comparable series of operations. One man operates seven machines which could rough bore seven different types of cases at the same time. A special machine reams and center holes the case, which then passes to the Fay Automatic lathes and then to a special milling machine which operates ceaselessly as long as the operator keeps it loaded.

A special Whitin-built eight-spindle vertical lathe the turns the outer diameter of the case. The hole is the finish-bored to depth, the top squared, and an oil cham ber cut into the case on another special machine. O Dupont bolsters a ball-bearing holder is added at thi point. Yet another special machine mills the slot fo the doffer cap. After the hole is finish reamed and th case threaded, the case is ready for inspection.

This task is done with meticulous care, for no Whiti bolster case ever leaks oil from a pin hole. The case i immersed in a bath and tested with air at a pressure a 90 pounds per square inch. If any telltale bubbles escap the case is rejected.

The cases which pass this test are then polished on th bottom to improve their appearance, stamped with the Whitin label, degreased, and then painted by a three-man crew on a conveyor belt which passes through a spray booth and a drying chamber. Then the case and bolster are given their final inspection and tried with a spindle.

Other minor parts made in Department 438 are doffer guards, pads for knee brakes, and twister heads for wool spinning frames.

Foreman Edgar A. Duhamel has been with the Whitin Machine Works for 20 years. He and Mrs. Duhamel live at 146 Lincoln Street, Worcester. Their only son, Edgar Jr., age 34, lives in California.

Among the senior employees in the department are: John Wasiuk, 50 years; Mardiros Hampartzoomian, 43 years; Louis Vincent, 42 years; Eugene Thomas, 34 years; David Brunelle, 34 years; Welcome Marshall, 34 years; Henry Gervais, 31 years; William Pare, 31 years; James Martin, 31 years; Doria Boulanger, 30 years; Richard Baker, 30 years; Lucien Perron, 28 years; William Vandersloot, 28 years; John Gjeltema, 27 years; Job Cournoyer, 27 years; Harold Flinton, 24 years; Leo Bouley, 20 years; Edward Roberts, 20 years; Philip Brochu, 20 years; Onesime Landry, 20 years; Joseph Rasco, 20 years; John Wisniowski, 20 years; Antoni Destefanis, 20 years; Edgar A. Duhamel, 20 years.

Harry Powers tests each bolster case for leaks. The case is immersed in a soda water bath and tested with air at a pressure of ninety pounds per square inch

Bolster and case go through a degreasing process before final inspection. Leo Bouley unloads a basket as Dick Baker, supervisor, checks case for cleanliness

George Sesona and Margaret Fallon machine bolster steps on turret lathes while Rouville Lalanne, center, assembles oil caps on bolster cases

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TAKE A NEW LOOK

A heavily loaded truck once got wedged under an overpass. The load was just a few inches too high and there seemed no way to get the truck out without damaging the load.

As the driver and his helper were trying to decide what to do, a small boy who was watching spoke up. "Why don't you let the air out of the tires?" They took his suggestion and easily moved the truck out.

It's not always the experts who come up with the answers. Sometimes a person who looks at a problem from a fresh angle hits on the solution.

Remember this when you think some problem in your department is hopeless just because no one has ever found an answer.

FRONT COVER: Children, as well as adults, look forward to the warm days of spring. Jimmie Caron, three-year-old son of Wallace Caron, Research Division, is shown taking advantage of a sunny day to repair and polish his tractor.

Whitin Personality

AT the age of 25 years John H. Kovar, salesman, was busy setting up a large woolen installation in a region of Russian Siberia so remote that he had to travel by a three-horse sled, or troika, for two days and a night to reach it from the railroad. He recalls that the area was so primitive that the Moslem millworkers received only 20 kopecks—or 10 cents in American currency—for a long, hard work day. As a representative of an Austrian manufacturer of textile machinery he saw all of Europe from Portugal to Siberia, from Turkey to Sweden, before he arrived in the United States in 1913 at the age of 28.

John was born in Krems, Austria, on April 7, 1885. After six years of school in Vienna he continued his study of engineering and mechanics at night school. His first work was with an Austrian rifle manufacturer, but he soon became interested in textile machines. After his European experiences he was for two years the United States representative of an Austrian textile machinery manufacturer.

The outbreak of World War I cut him off from his company. He worked at several places until 1918 when he began the building of tape condensers and cards in Worcester. This company was bought out by the Whitin Machine Works in 1928 at which time Mr. Kovar became part of the Whitin sales force.

John enjoys making things in the small workshop he has set up in the cellar of his home at 7 Nelson Street, Oxford. He gave up golf about 15 years ago in favor of fishing.

His duties as a member of our sales force leave him little time for clubs. He is, however, a member of Rose of Sharon Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Worcester.

"You know," John said, "I ate my first hamburg on a transcontinental express train on the Vienna-Warsaw-Moscow line. The French chef called it 'beefsteak a la tartar' but it was quite tasty, well spiced, and complete with onions."

Franklin Maynard, Department 405, is shown snagging a mighty main frame casting for a Waterbury Farrel bullet press. Two cranes and a lift truck are needed to place this casting in the Roto-Blast

Bullets for Korea

When fanatic enemy hordes in Korea surge against the positions manned by our infantrymen and Marines their ranks are cut down by a veritable hail of defensive fire. Numerically the most important projectile in this withering fire is the .30 caliber used by our troops in semi-automatic rifles, automatic rifles, and machine guns as ball, tracer, incendiary, and armor-piercing ammunition.

The use of these rapid fire weapons permits our outnumbered men to meet the enemy on equal terms and results in the saving of many American lives. However, these weapons use ammunition in tremendous quantities, a demand that is being filled by American industry and American labor. Whitin has just completed a defense project which plays a vital part in keeping the ammunition boxes filled for our Armed Forces.

The Fayscott Corporation, which is making Waterbury Farrel bullet presses, ordered from the Whitin Machine Works 147 three-ton main frame castings for such presses. Although these castings were the largest ever produced by Whitin and despite the fact that our men were required to use a molding method with which they were not familiar, they completed the project without a single reject.

In a matter of seconds 6,000 pounds of molten metal are poured into the mold. From the left: Ernest Julien, Robert Hoisington, Allan Jenkins, and Alfred Marchand

Each of the seven-foot high molds was rammed with seven and a half tons of special sand mixed with pitch, flour, and clay and required three tons of molten iron, a 30 per cent semi-steel mixture. Because of the thickness of the casting, a special dense-grained iron mixture, with a tensile strength of over 35,000 pounds per square inch, was melted in a cupola apart from the Foundry's regular mix. Extra precautions were taken to insure that premature freezing, causing internal shrinkage, did not occur.

While the pouring time could be measured in seconds the preparation of the molds was time-consuming. Two crews, using split mahogany patterns, were able to produce one complete mold a day. Each half-mold, unlike our customary green sand molds, required seven hours' drying with hot air from a portable gas heater. A separate closing crew was responsible for inspecting, cleaning, positioning the cores, closing, and clamping the molds.

The completed castings were trucked to Department 405 where two cranes and a lift truck were required to position each casting in the roto-blast.

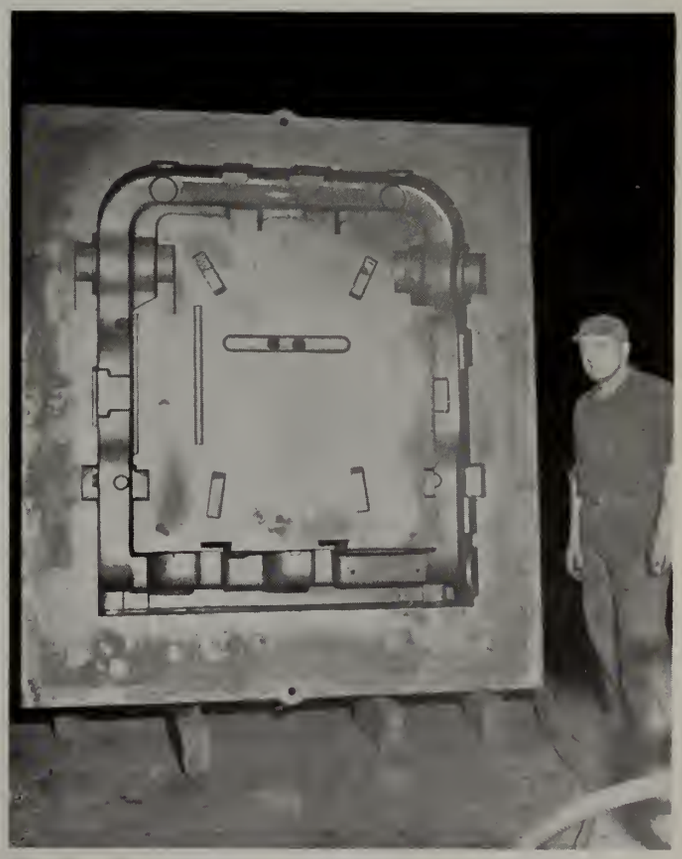
Supervised by Robert Hoisington, the following men were employed on this project: John Holewa, Joseph Gauthier, Joseph Truesdell, Joseph Carter, Girard Lacour, Ernest Julien, Gerald Brouillette, Alfred Marchand, Roland Dionne, Arthur Caron, Richard Lachapelle, and George McCauley.

In speaking of the job done by these men, Raymon F. Meader, superintendent of the Foundry, said, "The boys really did an excellent job. The score of 147 perfect castings is in large part due to the willing cooperation of these men."

EDITOR'S NOTE.—We extend our thanks to Raymon Meader, Armand Roberts, and Robert Hoisington for their cooperation in connection with this article for the SPINDLE.

Girard Lacour, a recent graduate of the Whitin Apprentice School, prepares to ram the drag half of the mold with the sandslinger

The bullet press crew pose with their scoreboard. From the left: First row: Joseph Carter, Robert Hoisington, Alfred Marchand, Girard Lacour. Second row: Roland Dionne, Ernest Julien, and Gerald Brouillette



Alfred Marchand stands by the completed cope half of a mold. This mold has been sprayed with a refractory coating of graphite mixed with water, and has been brushed with a camel's-hair brush

It Coul

Above: "Read me a story, Daddy"—but even the large print of a children's book is too much for a man who has lost his sight. A blind person must learn Braille if he is to read

Upper right: Eating can be reduced to a routine in which the meat, vegetables, and potatoes are placed just so, but persons who have been blinded report that there is little pleasure in eating food you cannot see. Would you like to eat a meal while wearing a blindfold?

Right: He could hear, it is true, but there would be little pleasure for a sightless person in owning a television set

Happen to You!

Did you ever stop to realize that there are times when a thoughtless moment may be the cause of depriving you of one of life's most precious gifts—YOUR EYESIGHT. A moment's carelessness, a searing pain, and you may walk in darkness to the end of your days.

There is acute danger that this may happen to you, for during the 12 months of 1952 a total of 1,464 new accident eye cases were treated in our Shop Hospital. The danger is not growing less, for in spite of safety posters and urgent reminders that safety goggles should be worn in eye hazardous areas, 168 new cases were treated during January, 1953 as compared with 163 cases during January, 1952.

During January, 1953, most of the eye injuries suffered in the Whitin Machine Works could have been avoided. In 28 cases there were imbedded foreign bodies in the eye, in 96 cases there were loose foreign bodies in the eye, and in 36 cases the eye was inflamed due to foreign material in the eye. Goggles would have kept the foreign material out in most of these cases.

The problem extends beyond the walls of our plant and beyond the boundaries of this community. Last year, in the United States, 300,000 eyes were damaged beyond repair. In computing costs a figure of $200,000,000 is accepted as being the price of this thoughtlessness.

According to the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness nine-tenths of the annual injury toll could be prevented by the use of basic eye protection equipment —SAFETY GOGGLES. If you work in an eye hazardous area you can be fitted to the proper type goggles—at no expense—at the Main Supply Room.

Remember! You have but two eyes.

In today's world driving may be done for either pleasure or business, but this is an activity that, no matter how great the emergency, would be closed to a man who lost his sight

Neither the pointing hand nor the kibitzing of his daughter would help a blind man—cards and similar pleasures would be forever denied him

Left: If you don't want to wear your goggles on the job you can get a Seeing Eye dog from the Seeing Eye Foundation at Morristown, N. J.

Right: Loretta and two-year-old Linda are glad that in reality their husband and father still has two good eyes. After posing for these pictures William G. Prior, a twenty-year Whitin employee, went back to the Metal Pattern Job determined to follow the safety rules and keep his eyesight

Hobby—

Raising Geese For Fun and Profit

"Geese are affectionate creatures," said John S. Dudley, research designer. "Why, some people go so far as to say that a gosling is attached forever to the first living thing he sees after coming out of the shell. My flock of forty-four White Chinese like the sound of human voices, and when you speak to them will gather around you gabbling excitedly as if trying to join the conversation. I warn you that there are many headaches —that you have to learn by experience—but a flock of geese is an interesting hobby."

John, who lives with his wife and three children on Main Street, Douglas, lists as the first requirement a small pond and at least three acres of grazing land. Weighing from twelve to fifteen pounds at the age of eight months, the birds consume tremendous amounts of water and eat voraciously. Geese pick up over three-fourths of their food on the shore, where the grass is cropped as close as a putting green, and in the water where they eat insects and aquatic weeds.

The second need is an incubator, for geese seldom hatch their own eggs. John uses an inexpensive sixty-egg Sears and Roebuck model. During the thirty-day period of incubation it is essential to maintain a temperature of 102 degrees and humidity of 80 per cent. For several weeks each spring John is as busy as a one-armed paper hanger.

The geese begin to lay about the middle of February, each goose laying about thirty-five eggs a year. The birds like to cover the 3½ by 2½ inch eggs with leaves whenever they leave the nest. Each day the eggs are collected, dated, and put in the incubator.

The hard work is just starting, for the eggs must be turned twice a day, from the seventh to the fourteenth day sprinkled with water daily, on the tenth day tested by odor for fertility, and from the tenth day on momentarily cooled once each day to exactly 80 degrees. From the fifteenth to twenty-fifth day the eggs soak for thirty seconds in water at 100 degrees temperature.

John can judge the vitality of the unhatched goslings on the twenty-fifth day, for at this time the eggs begin to act like oversize Mexican jumping beans during their now daily bath. Now the eggs are no longer turned but are rocked to insure that the unhatched gosling is head up! This rocking enables the egg to rest heavy side down.

On the twenty-ninth day the unhatched gosling can be heard peeping inside the shell. If left alone the baby goose will puncture the shell, the fluid will turn to glue, the membrane will shrink, and the gosling will die. John plays midwife, gently cracks the shell to admit a little air, waits twelve hours, and then removes the shell. This operation requires both timing and gentle skill, for if done too soon the baby goose bleeds; if done too late the gosling is exhausted. The little creature is returned to the incubator for eight hours to dry and then kept warm for two days. From the second day on for a period of two weeks they are fed chick starter, then on growing mash until it is time to fatten them on corn.

The young geese are given strict training by their elders, first by the mother geese and then by the ganders. The old gander who rules the flock with an iron hand is perhaps the best watch-dog in Douglas. It is this grandfather goose who keeps the flock together, gives the orders, and punishes any silly goose who disobeys and steps out of line.

John reports that raising geese is not a get-rich-quick proposition but that he doesn't lose any money on it. The eggs of the goose are excellent food, and the rich dark meat is delicious. John puts away at least twenty geese in his freezer locker, sells some to be used either for food or breeding stock, and keeps some mature birds for breeding purposes.

John Dudley's flock of forty-four White Chinese geese gabble excitedly as they come ashore

Women's Page

Mrs. Chester Flinton, who lives at Second Street, Manchaug, successfully combines the dual roles of Whitin worker and outstanding housewife. A Whitin employee for the past 10 years and a skilled technician in the Foundry sand laboratory, Mrs. Flinton is famed among friends and relatives for the tasty dishes she prepares. The recipes on this page are among her favorites.

She is shown here in the sparkling kitchen built for her by her husband Chester Flinton, Department 436, who has been a Whitin employee for 20 years. Tastefully decorated with varnished illustrations from *Better Homes and Gardens* and featured by plastic-topped work surfaces, this kitchen is truly designed for modern living. "I am very proud of the job my husband did in rebuilding this room," Mrs. Flinton said, "because it saves me so many steps and it is such a pleasant place to work in."

A favorite for parties or lunch pails is her recipe for congo squares. She finds that her cinnamon twists are a popular treat in the morning or as a snack while watching television. Her meat roll recipe gives a tasty method of using left-over roast veal, pork, or beef separately or in combination. This last dish is equally good served with brown gravy or a sauce of undiluted cream of mushroom soup.

CONGO SQUARES

2¾ cups sifted flour	3 eggs
2½ tsp. baking powder	1 cup nuts, coarsely broken
½ tsp. salt	1 pkg. semi-sweet chocolate morsels
⅔ cup shortening	1 tsp. vanilla
2¼ cups brown sugar (1 lb. pkg.)	

Mix and sift flour, baking powder and salt. Melt shortening and add brown sugar. Stir until well mixed. Allow to cool slightly. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add dry ingredients, then nutmeats and chocolate. Pour into greased pan about 9″ x 13″ x 1″. Bake at 350° F. 30 min. When almost cool, cut into squares.

CINNAMON TWISTS

Heat to lukewarm in large saucepan	1 cup sour cream
Remove from heat and stir in	3 tbsp. sugar
	⅛ tsp. soda
	1 tsp. salt
Crumble into mixture	1 cake compressed yeast
Stir until dissolved. Add	1 large egg
	2 tbsp. soft shortening
	3 cups sifted flour

Mix well (use hand if necessary). Turn dough onto floured board and fold over several times until it is smooth. Then roll into an oblong 24″ x 6″. Spread with 2 tbsp. soft butter. Sprinkle half of dough with a mixture of ⅓ cup brown sugar and 1 tsp. cinnamon. Fold other half over. Cut into 24 strips 1″ wide. Place on greased baking sheet 2″ apart. Press both ends of twists to baking sheet. Cover and let rise until light (about 1 hour). Bake at 375° F. 12 to 15 min. Frost and sprinkle with chopped nuts, if desired. Serve warm.

MEAT ROLL

2 or 3 cups chopped cooked meat (veal, beef, or pork)	2 tbsp. chopped green pepper
1 small onion, chopped	Salt and pepper
1 raw carrot, chopped	1 egg, unbeaten
	Milk to moisten, if necessary

1 recipe plain biscuit dough (Bisquick saves time)

Put meat, onion, carrot and green pepper through meat grinder, using medium blade. Add salt and pepper to taste. Moisten with egg and a little milk, if needed. Roll biscuit dough into oblong shape ¼ to ½″ thick. Spread with meat mixture. Roll like jelly roll. Place on ungreased baking sheet. Bake at 425° F. 15 to 20 min. Serve with mushroom sauce or brown gravy.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Your curtains will travel more smoothly across the rods when you wax the rods before you slip the curtains onto them. . . . Guessing which cord closes your venetian blinds can be eliminated by painting the tip that pulls the shutter down a contrasting color. . . . If you have difficulty threading your darning needle put a loop of thread through the eye then slip the yarn through the loop and pull the loop back through the eye. . . . Baking soda cleans most everything—including the kitchen sink. Rub it on and watch the stains vanish.

Seated in her pleasant kitchen Mrs. Chester Flinton is shown icing a cherry and nut chiffon cake. She reports our photographer enjoyed sampling her cooking

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

STOCK ROOM 406

by Arline Mikolaycik

A belated welcome to Harry Daly, Robert Bessey, Linwood Henry, Eugene Gravel, and Leo Ferriere. We hope that you enjoy working with us. . . . Last month we bade farewell to Mary Rice, who has left us to take up domestic duties, and also to await the arrival of "Mr. Stork." The very best of luck to you, Mary. We also bade good-by to Leo Dufresne, who left us to become a planner. Good luck to you also. . . . On March 17, John Toohey came in wearing a light green shirt and a dark green tie, and "Maggie" Londergan wore a bright green scarf. Can someone please tell me why? . . . Belated birthday greetings to Maggie Londergan, who celebrated her birthday on Friday, the 13th. Who said that's an unlucky day? . . . Speaking of Friday the 13th, Bill Guertin had a spot of bad luck. He injured his finger in here, working with the castings, and then when he got home, he found out that his wife had slipped and fallen down their cellar stairs, and was quite badly bruised. Let's all hope that Friday the 13th doesn't come around too often. . . . Congratulations to Ray Picard on his new job. He's taken over for Leo Dufresne, and it looks as though you're managing quite well, Ray.

To "Patty" Brown, daughter of our assistant foreman, who has recently undergone quite an operation, all of us from 406 would like to say, "You have our best wishes for good luck and loads of happiness, but most of all for a very speedy and successful recovery. Keep your chin up, Patty, because from what we hear, you've done a marvelous job of doing so thus far."

METAL PATTERN JOB

by William Prior

Personality of the Month: Bernard DeVries, a 50-year employee of the Whitin Machine Works, was born in northern Holland in 1889. At the age of 11 he came to Whitinsville with his family. He has lived here since. Bernie began work at the Whitin Machine Works in 1903 and has spent all but 10 years of this time with this department. At one time he worked under F. M. Stuart on general repairs of molding machines but for a long period he has had the maintenance of plant cranes as his duty. Bernard enjoys watching television, reading, and taking an active part in the activities of the Christian Reformed Church.

John Sohigian, one of our pattern makers, is still out of work. John has been out about five weeks at this writing and everyone hopes John, you'll return soon. . . . John Kennedy has left our department to take a planning job in the Foundry. Good luck in your new work, John. . . . Robert Dion is back on the day shift after a long stretch of night maintenance work in our department. . . . Two new men added to our night crew are Ellison Estes and Lucien Desrochers. . . . Bill Germain is having tough luck with his car. Bill had an accident in Millville recently. Anytime Bill is late its the car that holds him up. Better trade, Bill. . . . Our foreman, Gerritt Dykstra, is leaving our department for a period of jury duty in Boston. . . . Time Clerk Merton White and Andy Frieswick are sporting new Plymouths. Good driving, fellows.

ROVING SMALL PARTS, FLYER JOB, ERECTING, AND SCRAPERS

by Mary Hugley

Personality of the Month: Fred Tucker was born in Uxbridge. He attended the schools in Sutton. He was married to Nina Albee, March 17, 1923, and owns his own home in Sutton. He has no children and has been employed in the Shop 19 years as a drill hand. Before coming to the Shop he worked for 27 years at Mr. C. W. Lasell's Oakhurst track where he broke and trained colts for harness racing. He traveled around to different tracks for a number of years acting as a groom. His hobby is harness horses.

Bob Toscani of the crib is back at work after two months of illness. He was at Cushing V. A. Hospital. . . . Ed Dennett is in the hospital with pneumonia. . . . Nice to see Bob Hamblin around without the cast on his foot.

After nearly a year of hard work Larry Gonsorcik has his new home done. It is on Gilboa Street in East Douglas. Larry moved in the 14th of March. . . . Milton Murray dropped in to see us recently. He has been in the Army for two years. He was discharged the end of March and will be back to join us at work. . . . After three years of night classes in trade school, Sam Luksys has graduated. He studied architecture. . . . Birthday greetings for March to Joe Jaques, Sid Swart, and Fred Muse.

New faces in the department include Roger Durand of Woonsocket who came to us from Farnums Hardware Co. and Alfred Emond who came from the Box Job. Alfred lives in North Uxbridge. Joe Beaudoin, who is from Manville, just got out of the Army after three years in Panama. Charles DeVries, who is from Escalon, California, came to us after two years in the SeaBees. Gene BeRube of the Crib is back after service in the Army as a technical sergeant. He is now a member of the Rhode Island State Guard. Raymond Allaire came to us from Slatersville Finishing Company.

Arthur Gamelin, Chuck Job, received a purse of money from his associates when he retired in February. Leon Barnes, foreman, made the presentation and congratulated Arthur on his 44 years of service

WHITIN TO BE HOST TO A.M.H.S. GROUP

On Tuesday, April 21, a group, numbering approximately 150 people, representing the New England Chapter of the American Material Handling Society, will make a plant visitation to the Whitin Machine Works. Following a guided tour of the Plant and Research Divisions the group will be served dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Whitin Cafeteria. Mr. P. B. Walker will speak on "Material Handling at the Whitin Machine Works." Mr. Howard Dunford is chairman in charge of arrangements.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

The party for John McQuade, held at the Colonial Club, was a huge success with 15 members of the department attending. John left for boot training March 24. Good luck, John, from all your fellow workers. . . . Herman Arnold appeared recently in a brand-new Ford. Congratulations, Herman, you deserve the best. . . . A greenback shower is to be held at Chestnut Hill Hall, Millville, April 11, honoring Miss Cecile Gauthier, formerly of the Traffic Division Office, and Arthur Malo, whose wedding will take place on April 25. . . . We welcome Ray Blanchard and Jim DeConstanzo to the Receiving Department; also, Miss Beverly Keefe to the Traffic Office. . . . We hope everyone has seen our Pat DeJordy—his new mustache is quite a sensation. The question is does this new addition improve Pat's looks? We'll let you be the judges. Get your answers in early.

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREWS

by Bill Scanlon

The big four—"Baldy" White, Pete Prymak, Eddie Connors, and John McNely—well known as fishermen, have been getting their fishing equipment ready for the coming season. They anticipate big doings which we will hear more about in the near future. . . . Archie Bolivar has just opened up a new tract of land at his house. Archie has had such good luck with his rose garden and perennial beds that he has decided to try his luck with vegetables. . . . Joe Bousquet is back to work after being out sick for a few weeks. . . . The next time that Mat Pulnik parks his car in the woods he should make sure it is a dry day, as some of the boys got pretty wet pulling him out of the mud.

Gordon G. Spence Joins Treasury Department

On March 2, 1953, Gordon G. Spence, a member of the Illinois and Massachusetts societies of Certified Public Accountants, became a full-time member of the Treasury Department. Mr. Spence has previously been employed by the Waters Fire Engine Company as a cost accountant, by the Crane Company as general accountant, by the Amber Milling Company as office manager, and has been an associate of Ernst and Ernst. He joined Whitin on March 1, 1953

Gordon was born in Duluth, Minn., on October 29, 1905, but moved to St. Paul, Minn., when he was six. After completing the St. Paul public schools he attended the University of Minnesota. In 1929 he was married to Miss Alice M. Smesmo of St. Paul.

At present Mr. and Mrs. Spence live with their four children, Barbara, age 19, David, age 16, Gavin, age 10, and Leslie, age 7, at 20 Sterling Road, Wellesley. They do not plan to move until David finishes high school.

Golf, fly-fishing for trout and bass, and puttering in his basement workshop are Gordon's chief hobbies. He is Past Master of Jasper Lodge Number 164, A.F. & A.M., Rush City, Minn; Past Worthy Patron Jasper Chapter Number 28, O.E.S., and a member of Rush City Chapter Number 87 Royal Arch Masons. At present he is a member of the American Institute of Accountants and of the Dedham Polo and Country Club.

Charles F. Drummond Appointed Standards Engineer

Charles F. Drummond was promoted from draftsman to Standards Engineer on February 27. For 12 years assistant chief draftsman in charge of spinning and twisters at the H & B Company in Pawtucket, R. I., he joined Whitin in February, 1952, and now heads the Whitin Machine Works standardization program.

At present Charles lives at 770 High Street, Cumberland, R. I., with his wife, Amy, and their four children, Gregory Charles, age 5½, Bonnie Gail, age 4, Deborah Charlene, age 3, and Charles, Jr., age 1 month. He hopes in the near future to sell his Cumberland house and to move closer to the Whitin Machine Works.

Born in Pawtucket on May 19, 1920, Charles attended the Pawtucket grade schools, Warwick High School, Providence Trade School, the Rhode Island School of Design, and is at present attending evening school at the Providence YMCA Institute.

Mr. Drummond saw service as a member of the Seabees during World War II. During the three years he was in uniform he spent 30 months overseas and saw action at Guadalcanal and in the Philippine Islands.

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

Solomon Ovian retired March 13 after 48 years of employment in the Whitin Machine Works. Solomon, who has worked only in this department, has the greatest number of years' seniority of those in the Foundry at the present time. We want to take this opportunity to wish Solomon all the luck in the world in his retirement and may he enjoy himself for many, many years to come. Solomon, all your many friends here will miss you.

Solomon arrived in this country in February, 1905, from Azuram, Turkey, where he was born and educated. Solomon was married to the former Victoria Shamgosian, deceased. They had six children: three daughters, Lucy, Louise, and Margerite and three sons, Koko, Lawrence, and Berge. Two of the sons are employees in Whitin Machine Works. Koko is employed here in the Foundry. Solomon started working in the Foundry in October, 1905. He has worked at one time or another on practically every job in the Foundry. For the last 20 years he worked at the ladle lining department. Solomon has stated that his favorite hobby is relaxing. The presentation of a purse of money was made on the Foundry charging floor by Foundry Superintendent Raymon F. Meader. Mr. Ovian has asked me to thank everyone who has made his last few hours here such happy ones. Special mention must be made of Varky Arakelian, chairman in charge of the gift donation and also thanks to all those who helped Varky make it such a success.

Our Personality of the Month is Alfonso Chattman. Alfonso was born in Chappell, South Carolina, where he received his education. On December 25, 1946, he married the former Bessie Allen of Silverstreet, South Carolina. They have one son, Timothy, and make their home on River Street, Woonsocket, Rhode Island. He has worked in the Foundry since September 24, 1947. He served in the United States Army during the last war and was attached to the 97th Division in Italy. His hobbies are typing and reading.

We want to welcome back Willie V. Dandy who has returned from a two years' tour of service in the U. S. Army, 598th Field Artillery. He entered the Army February 4, 1951, and was discharged February 4, 1953. He received his training at Camp Polk, Louisiana. Willie was employed in the Foundry before he left for the service and is married to the former Minnie Wilson. Their home is in Worcester. . . . We want to wish Joseph Berard all the luck in the world in his new job. He was appointed to the Woonsocket Police Force February 19, and is now attending Police School in Woonsocket. Joe worked six years in the Foundry. . . . Tony Mancini, Foundry Clerk, has finally decided to stop traveling amidst a cloud of steam. The old Nash that he had was one of the best steam makers in this vicinity. Tony now has a 1951 Nash. . . . Some of the Herman boys would like to know what kind of a dog Joe Benoit owns? Joe claims it talks and dances—especially, waltzes. Say, does it tell fortunes?

We want to welcome Peter Bibbo, office clerk. Pete makes his home at 39 Grant Street, Milford, Massachusetts. . . . Good luck to James Maffia on his new assignment as a time study man, Foundry Wage Standards. Jim has been with us in the foundry office for two years. . . . What we would like to know is what is going on around the cupolas. Not too long ago Billy Burroughs sat down to eat his dinner and when he opened his bag there were three pounds of green peppers for his lunch—nothing else. He can't explain how they got there. And now comes another unexplained mystery. Ralph Guidotti settled down to eat his dinner consisting of cheese sandwiches and found them to be strictly jelly. No explanation for that either. Are there gremlins around those stacks? Something is giving those fellows a bad time. . . . Good luck to Richard Gallivan who has left us after 18 years in the Foundry as a squeezer molder. Dick and his wife have moved to Polo-Walo, California. They formerly made their home in North Uxbridge.

We are happy to report that Albert Thibault's wife, Lucille, has fully recovered from a recent illness. Albert is a molder on the cylinder floor. . . . We are sorry to hear that Raymond Sweeney was injured quite badly recently where he worked at W. W. Windle Co., Millbury, Massachusetts. Ray worked here for two years before he went to W. W. Windle. His wife, "Peggy," is employed in the Foundry Sand Control Department. We hope that by the time this is published Ray will have fully recovered. . . . Leo Shugrue, son of Frank Shugrue, Foundry supervisor and formerly employed in the Foundry on the night shift, after four years of service in the Air Force is training under the G. I. Bill for department store managing. He is attached to Dickman Department Store in Whitinsville. Leo will be happy to welcome his friends there. . . . A mother asked a four-year-old: "If a man has no hair, what would you call him?" He promptly answered: "A Grandpa!"

Foundry Production Control Office: At the time of this writing our regular reporter, George "Red" Vincent, is on the sick list but we hope he'll be back with us soon. It seems good to see Jim Whelan around, filling in while "Red" is out. . . . Two new men have been added to the personnel in the Foundry Production Office, namely John Kennedy and Leo Dufresne. John formerly worked on the Metal Patterns Job and Leo worked at No. 406. . . . With golfing season just around the corner Joe Mercak would like to make an open challenge in behalf of the Mercak Bros. to Jerry Turner and Bill Taylor. Joe claims the T. & T. combination are just a little, shall we say, "chicken." . . . Stanley Ziemba is back with us after having quite a siege of sickness and he claims he's as fit as a fiddle now; it certainly sounds it during the lunch-hour pinochle games. . . . By this time everyone must know that Joe Mercak has entered politics in East Douglas and has been elected Recreation Commissioner at the recent town elections. Commissioner Mercak, as he is commonly called, is on his way to higher goals. . . . Now that spring is here with us, the start of the real season of activity begins. Some of you will spend your leisure hours on the golf course, others may be building a summer cottage, some will work their gardens and many will take that weekend trip to the beach or the mountains. Whatever the case, if you beat your buddy playing golf, or you raise some prize flowers or vegetables or if you catch a real big fish, please let us know, and in the case of the fish bring a picture for proof! A department this size should have many pictures; please bring them in.

Solomon Ovian, of the Foundry, retired last month after accumulating 48½ years of service at Whitin. Raymon Meader, Foundry superintendent, congratulated Solomon on his fine service record and presented him with a purse of money, a gift from Solomon's associates. Kirkor, Solomon's son, is shown standing to the left of his father

rt. Vernon Ahmadjian, now in Korea, is the fifth son of Vishon Ahmadjian, molder in the Foundry, to serve in the rmed forces. Lt. Colonel Michael Ahmadjian, a graduate West Point Military Academy in 1940, is stationed in Germany. His other three sons served during World War II. Arehver was a captain with the U. S. Army Engineers, Azad was a 1st lieutenant in the U. S. Army Air Corps, and Harry was a major in the U. S. Army Engineers

TEEL FABRICATING AND UTTING-OFF JOB

y Marion Metcalf

Let me introduce you to Kilda Monast, or Pop" as he is better known to his fellow orkers. Born in St. Damase, Canada, on pril 6, 1889, "Pop" came to live in New edford at the age of four, when his parents igrated to the United States because of e textile boom of that time. He attended he Catholic schools of New Bedford until e was 14 years old, at which time he began ork to help his family. His first job was s a "farmer's helper," but his trades have aried in the past years. Before settling Rhode Island, "Pop" traveled far and ide and, in the days of the first Mary Pickord pictures, worked on a movie set. As a ideline he finds working as an automobile echanic profitable at times, but since anuary 25, 1949, his major interest has been he grinding section of Department 432. In 941 the former Yvonne Millette, of Providence, became Mrs. Monast.

We also have a cheerful personality in Department 432 who came to us in 1949 fter working in Department 454 for three ears following his discharge from the ervice in February, 1946. This happy-gocky fellow is Alfred Nichols, of Upton, Massachusetts, who is better known to many s "Sheriff." He started out in the working vorld as a maintenance man in Knowlton's Hat Shop of Upton, but this was interrupted when he left for the Army in November, 1942. On June 16, 1945, the former Eleanor Kane of Upton became Mrs. Nichols. Their pride and joy is their six-year-old daughter, Linda Agnes. The year 1949 was an important one for "Sheriff" as this started his work on the Police Force of Upton, and he also served as Commander of the Marshall-Leland Post. This year congratulations are n order also as he is a newly elected constable and also Sub-District Commander of the Worcester County American Legion.

Our congratulations go to Eugene Closson, of No. 26 Crib, on his appointment by the selectmen of Upton as Deputy Chief of Police. With these two trustworthy fellows on duty I would suggest that you drive cautiously when you are in or near Upton! . . . We welcome Bob Moorey back after his recent eye trouble. . . . The welcome mat is out to June Boisvert in Department 410 office and also to Robert Miller in the Tool Crib of Department 432. . . . Business must be very prosperous for Frank Tingley and George Vacher who have been sporting their own 1953 Chevrolets of late. . . . May we wish many years of happiness to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Marshall in their new home on Mechanic Street, Upton.

Well folks, spring must be just around the corner when the fellows start pitching horseshoes during their noon hour and talk about forming a softball team in the near future.

I would like to mention with pride that the boys of Department 432 are also doing a big part in making the sheet metal parts for the Pratt & Whitney grinders discussed in the last issue of the SPINDLE. They form, punch, grind, assemble and weld these parts, so let's not forget our men even though they are way up in the warehouse

Katherine Victoria Akillian, daughter of Setrak Akillian of Department 432, was a very happy little girl on March 17 when her little friends surprised her with a party to celebrate her birthday. . . . Belated birthday greetings go to "Pat" DeBellis, Kilda Monast, Robert Miller, "Mike" Yozura, Ernie Doucette, Gaston Menard, Herman Woeller, Allan McCrea, Rene Rock, Setrak Akillian, Arthur Mercier, and yours truly.

PICKER AND DRAWING DEPARTMENT

by Grace Bedrosian

Our Personality of the Month is Samuel Finney. Sam was born in Clinton, Massachusetts, in 1880 and at the age of three he went to Ireland. He returned to this country when he was 18 years old. In 1900 he started working for Whitin on Department 421, where, after 53 years of service, he still is employed as a wire roll coverer. He and his wife Flora reside on Overlook Street in Whitinsville. Sam is an ardent baseball fan and spends his spare time fishing and gardening.

John DeSantis, scraper hand, has purchased a 100 foot x 150 foot lot on Highland Street in Milford. Contractors will start construction on a modern ranch-type home in May. From the crying John has done about the move of the Boston Braves—we wonder why he doesn't build his new home in Milwaukee. . . . Richard Porter, assembler on the Pratt & Whitney grinder, who for the past 41 years has resided in Franklin, will move into the Plummer Apartments in May. Welcome to Whitinsville, Dick. . . . A hearty "hello" from the members of Department 421 to Joseph Gervais of Woonsocket, who has been laid up due to illness for approximately eight months. Wishing you a speedy recovery, Joe!

Raymond Young left Department 446 on February 14 to attend Bill Magowan's Umpire School in Daytona Beach, Florida. After completion of a five-week training period he was assigned to the Georgia State League. . . . We are happy to welcome Harry Bedoian back to Crib No. 12 after two years in the service. Harry left his job as stock room attendant in 1951 to serve with Quartermaster Corps. He was recently discharged as a corporal after serving 17 months in Korea. . . . We also welcome Francisco C. Alé from Bolivia, South America, to Department 443. Frank, as he is known by his fellow workers, is learning the fundamentals of picker machinery and card feed set-up.

CORE ROOM

by Francis Shugrue

Sonny O'Donnell is a patient at the Veteran's Hospital in Framingham. We all hope Sonny gets well real soon. . . . Jack Martin, one of the real old-timers on the job, is now resting at his home following an operation at St. Vincent's Hospital in Worcester. A good cup of Irish tea will fix you up, Jack. Jack claims he sure missed his strong cup of tea while he was in the hospital. . . . Vaughn Harding looked like a new man when he reported for work recently. The mustache he had been sporting for the last few years finally was shaved off. We could never figure how a guy with black hair could have a red mustache.

Don King, Gear Job Personality of the Month, at one time drove racing cars for a living

GEAR JOB

by Irene Kalvinek

Personality of the Month: Donald King was born in one of the Worcester hospitals on November 17, 1913. He is the son of Charles P. and Ruth C. King. He was brought up in Sutton, attended Sutton elementary schools and graduated from Sutton High School. Don joined the Whitin Machine Works on October 28, 1939, where he started as a turret lathe operator and after five months he transferred to the gear cutters. He remained on the cutters until February, 1941, when he was appointed night supervisor on the Gear Job. This did not last too long, for on December 23, 1941, he was inducted in the Air Force. He was stationed at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. He then attended service school at Roosevelt Aviation in Long Island, New York. Later he served 19 months as a flight engineer with the 42nd troop carrier squadron in Anchorage, Alaska. In 1944 Don was married to the former Elizabeth Kelly of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and on October 18, 1945, he was discharged from the Air Force at Westover Air Field in Massachusetts. Don then returned to Whitin and to the Gear Job as a gear cutter operator. In October of 1947 he resumed his job as night supervisor. On September 1, 1950, he was reinducted in the Air Force. He was stationed at Tyndall Air Force Base in Panama City, Florida, where he served as senior aircraft mechanic until he was discharged on August 31, 1951. He returned to Whitin and resumed his duties as night supervisor of the Gear Job until January, 1953, when he was transferred to the day shift as a shaving machine operator. Don lives with his wife, Elizabeth, in their own home on Whitin Avenue in Manchaug. His wife is employed as a nurse at the Wallum Lake Sanatorium. From the years 1937 to 1950 (years in the Air Force excluded) he had what we might call a very interesting and exciting hobby; he was an automobile racer. Don was a Triple A Sprint Car driver in the New England and New York areas. Don states that he has never won any race of great importance. He now has a more relaxed hobby, operates an amateur radio station from his home in Manchaug. Don's call letters are W1YCW. When summer rolls around, he will be steering a 22 horsepower outboard motorboat, another of his extracurricular activities.

On March 16, Messrs. Bolton, Cunningham, and Pierson visited the Gear Job to present Jim Rogers with his 30-year pin. Congratulations are extended to you, Jim, from your many friends. . . . Birthday greetings are extended to: Eugene McClure, Jim Rogers, Harry Thompson, Frank Loader, Roland Dion, and Sidney Frieswyck. . . . We welcome Joe Charette who was out a few weeks on account of illness. Joe is known as "Mr. Happiness" on the Job as he is always smiling. . . . Louise O'Connell, inspecting supervisor, will again travel to Worcester for the bowling tournament but this year she will only be a spectator, as she has already been eliminated. Better luck next year, Oakie!

John Morin and wife are planning on going housekeeping in Plummers. Good uck to both of you on your new adventure. Sonny Reith is mighty proud of his new 1953 Pontiac while Rene Tancrell is contented with his 1951 Ford. Eugene McClure doesn't say a word but he just bought a 1940 Oldsmobile. Happy rolling, fellows!

Baseball is now our most talked-about subject and the spotlight shines on the Braves switch from Boston to Milwaukee. Comments by a few members of the Job on this situation is—Boston fans have not proven enough interest to support two teams. Good luck to you, Mr. Perini, and to all the Milwaukee Braves fans—may this be your year.

Edward Boutiette, Milling Job Personality of the Month, has photography as his hobby

Garabed Harabedian, Milling Job, toured through 30 states during his last vacation. He is shown with his grandson in Fresno, California

MILLING JOB

by Marie VanderBaan

Our Personality for the Month is Edward Boutiette, who was born in Linwood and attended Northbridge schools. His first job was with Uxbridge Worsted where he worked for six years before coming to Whitin Machine Works in 1939. His first job was on 426 where he remained for nine years. In 1948 he transferred to the Milling Job. Mr. and Mrs. Boutiette were married in 1937, and have two daughters and one son. Gertrude, the oldest daughter, is quite talented with paints and Elaine, the younger daughter, is following in her footsteps. Richard, the son, enjoys fishing and as Dad says, "He has more patience than his father." Ed's hobby is photography and he is a projectionist in his spare time. He also enjoys bowling and is manager of the softball team. Pretty busy schedule!

We send wishes for a speedy recovery to the following fellow-workers who have been on leave for some time: Louis Gaucher, Narcisse Cournoyer, Ernest Buker, Alpherie Boileau, Rose Belanger, and Frank Donovan.

Mrs. Celia Donaldson, vice-regent of the General Rufus Putnam Chapter D.A.R., was one of the hostesses to the members and their guests, which included the two D.A.R. pilgrims and their mothers. Mrs. Donaldson is also a past regent. She was also on the committee that wrote up the second volume of the new *Town History of Sutton.* A copy will be sent to Continental Congress (headquarters of the D.A.R. in Washington). Many of the photographs on homes and places of interest in this book were taken by Malcolm Pearson, our plant photographer.

We are happy to report that Everett Fessenden's daughter June is coming along nicely after a serious operation. . . . Birthday congratulations this month go to Leo Roussel, Mary Goyette, Edward Fontaine, Lawrence Ashton, Merrill True, Armand Vermette, and Kenneth Williams.

. . . On March 20, Louis Demars celebrated his 76th birthday in good health and good spirits. . . . Congratulations to William Proffitt who received his 30-year service pin. We wish you many more years, Bill.

James (Bud) Daley has returned to work after a two-week rest. The men wonder if it was a honeymoon that Jim went on? . . . The night shift wishes Henry Osowski the best of luck in his new business venture of selling fishing equipment in Southbridge. . . . Chet Roaf is sporting a fashionable piece of wearing apparel lately. His friend Ed Fontaine claims General Custer left it at Chet's home when he was fighting Indians in Manchaug. . . . We welcome two new members to the night shift, Leon King and Normand Blanchette.

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

This seems to be welcome home month for us. First, Robert Bosworth—back after one week at General Motors in Framingham. Bob left us but changed his mind and is extremely glad to be back. Likewise, we are glad to have him back. . . . Next, Wilfred Whitney is home again, too. After a month's absence, including a couple of weeks in the hospital and an operation, he's back in harness and like a new man. Before he left for the hospital we were gathering data about birthdays and anniversaries and his morale must have been pretty low. He accused me of preparing his obituary prematurely. We hope he has changed his mind. . . . Our assistant foreman, Raymond Fullerton, is back after a week and a half's absence. The first week spent in Whitinsville Hospital he was being used as a temporary pincushion for a migratory penicillin needle. It was mighty quiet in the office while he was getting the needle instead of using it. Glad to have you back, Ray. . . . Last but not least Joe Fenner

"Happy Birthday to You" is the song being sung to Donat Bileau's daughter (in dark costume) by the cast of a Manchaug Minstrel Show on February 14. The character on the left is Donat dressed as an end girl

Patrick McGovern is the Wood Pattern Shop Personality of the Month

is expected back by April 6. We all hope so and say welcome, Joe, too.

Birthdays for April include Alfred Sutcliffe, Robert Bosworth, and your SPINDLE reporter. The last is noteworthy since it falls on April Fool's Day and is considered by many very appropriate. Many happy returns, Bob and Al. . . . Alfred Sutcliffe was the recipient of a 30-year pin on March 17, very appropriate, too, since the 30-year pin is resplendent with six emeralds. Messrs. Bolton, Cunningham, and Pierson were on hand to present the pin. . . . Our youngest member, Eddie Plante, whose engagement was announced in a recent issue of the SPINDLE, was trying bushings for size on his ring finger and one got stuck. He had a rough few minutes getting it off with the aid of soap and a few pertinent remarks from the sidelines. . . . Robert Gonynor and Mrs. Gonynor attended the Ice Follies in Boston recently. The Flower Show at Horticultural Hall in Boston was well attended by the job, too. Among those who made the trip throughout the week were: Mr. and Mrs. Julian Masson, Mr. and Mrs. James Ferguson, and Mr. and Mrs. Patrick A. McGovern.

Personality of the Month: Patrick A. McGovern—Pat was born December 2, 1895, in Grafton, Massachusetts. He moved with his family to Millbury when he was three or four years old. There he went to school until 1911 when he started learning pattern making at Worcester Boys Trade School. After two years he transferred to Reed Prentice where he served his time as an apprentice. After completing his apprenticeship he worked in several pattern shops in Worcester. He worked in Fore River Ship Yards in Quincy for about a year during World War I.

He first came to Whitinsville to work in the Pattern Shop of the Whitin Machine Works on October 29, 1924, and stayed until September 24, 1926. At this time he left to go to Flint, Michigan, where he worked for General Motors until February 7, 1927. He, like Archie Fournier, must have been lonesome for Whitinsville, because he returned and has been working here ever since. Pat married a local girl—Gertrude Murphy—a former school teacher and settled here permanently. They live on Granite Street in town now. Among his hobbies are: flower gardening, antiques, golfing, and swimming. In connection with the swimming he spends nearly every vacation at the Cape in Falmouth, Massachusetts.

His golfing started at Long Draft Golf Course which you probably remember. (Being a golf widow, myself, I certainly do.) He was a member of the Whitin Male Glee Club. He no longer sings with them but does help with the properties when he is needed. Pat also was a reporter on the *News from Home* during World War II.

SPINNING FLOOR, CARD ERECTING AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

Edward Marshall received his 30-year pin this month. Company officials present were: Mr. Bolton, Mr. Pierson, Mr. Cunningham, and Mr. Robert Wilson (Bob). They also presented a 30-year pin to Mr. Peter J. Young.

Ed came to work in 1910 on the Roll Job. He gained experience on the Spindle Job and then the Spinning Erecting Floor. After working on the road for 18 years erecting machinery he left the company to work elsewhere for one year. On his return he went back on the road. With this valuable experience Ed was retained inside the shop to explain the working of Whitin machinery to those willing to learn. Appointed supervisor under Mr. Wilson on the wool and worsted, he was later made foreman of the Twister Division. Ed belongs to the Whitco Club, Whitin Male Glee Club, Men's Club of the Presbyterian Church, Mason's, and our own little club. Ed is always willing to go along with the boys on any congenial affair such as suppers, bowling, etc. He resides with his wife Helen and his sister Margaret, of Inspection Department, at 25 Leland Road.

Peter J. Young, better known as Pete

Edward Marshall, foreman of the Twisting Erecting Department, was presented his 30-year service pin last month

was born in New Foundland. He came to Whitinsville in February, 1923, and started working on the Spindle Job when Mr. B. R. Sweet was foreman. When you see Pete working on outside lawns you may be well assured he knows what he is doing. For 19 summers, 1924 to 1943, he was greenskeeper at Whitinsville Country Club. He is experienced in set-up work on combers, speeders, and cards. He has four sons and two daughters. Ray is attending the umpires school in Florida; John and Peter are employed here; Paul is in the armed forces; Elizabeth is employed here; and Dorothy is at home. Pete likes gardening and cribbage. He particularly enjoys defeating his foreman, Fred Langlois, or Joe Gauvin at cribbage. He lives with his children and wife Margaret at the home he purchased from Whitin Machine Works.

Everyone in Department 433 was shocked by the death of George Baribeault who was killed in an auto accident in North Grosvenordale. George was employed in the night shift in 433.

John Flezar has a new '53 Pontiac. Mario Colabello claims that once he can get beyond a certain corner in Milford he will buy one too. . . . Don Simmons has *two* season tickets for the Braves he would like to get rid of.

How did that song "Alouette" break into the program of Irish tunes on St. Patrick's Day? This song and the fact that my green cane changed colors during the noon hour almost caused an international situation. . . . Larry Bombara asked for and received a transfer to Department 402. Best wishes, Larry. . . . Arthur Taylor, whose wife is vacationing in Florida, came to work recently wearing odd socks.

COMBER JOB

by Harold Leoncini

We welcome the following new men to our department: Bob Pratt, Tom Salvia, and Michelle Baino. . . . We are sorry to hear that George Catterson, at the present writing, is hospitalized. . . . Eddie Allega has cottages at Hyannis and we hear he spends his week ends getting them ready for the summer season. Stuart Hay is busy also preparing his cottage on Lake Quinsigamond. . . . Jennie Rauth has returned after an illness. . . . We congratulate Mitchell Kroll who recently was reelected to the Board of Selectmen in the town of Millville. . . . Rene Provost is back to work after a brief illness.

BOX JOB

by Bernice M. Werth

Our sincere congratulations to Jim (Murphy) Dorsey, who on St. Patrick's Day received his emerald 30-year pin. The presentation was made by Mr. Bolton, Mr. Pierson, and Mr. Cunningham. Jim, who is in charge of the box storage floor, is a genial and popular fellow, and we all wish him many more years of continued service. . . . Benny Oles recently spent a week end in New York City, "with the boys." They attended a basketball tournament at Madison Square Garden. From all reports, the visit was an enjoyable one. . . . April birthday greetings to Jim Dorsey and your reporter. And speaking of birthdays, your reporter must have skipped a few according to one of the boys who asked her how many grandchildren she had. . . . Captain Ralph Nolet reports that his bowling team is now tied for second place with several other teams. We're betting on you, boys. . . . The Easter season is here, which traditionally means new wardrobes. At least it does for the ladies of the family. Papa's spring outfit usually consists of a new necktie and a shoeshine (if he's lucky). We hope you all had a pleasant and inspiring Easter Day.

Members of the Whitinsville Squadron, Civil Air Patrol; Major Patterson, Massachusetts C.A.P. Wing Chaplain; Major Ashman, U. S. Air Force C.A.P. Liaison Officer; and Lieutenant Colonel Lydiard, Massachusetts Deputy Wing Commander were present last month at a local Parent-Teachers Association meeting where they explained the purpose and functions of the Civil Air Patrol. Pictured above, from the left: Major Patterson; Cadet Stephen Orrell; William Kidd, P.T.A. President; Lt. June Wilbur, Whitinsville Squadron Commander; Major Ashman; Cadet Dolores Lariviere; Dr. Herman, Superintendent of Schools; and Lt. Colonel Lydiard

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

We wish to report to all those who didn't notice Jimmy Martin's tie on St. Patrick's Day, that it was green. . . . Welcome back to Walter Fierley, Clement Laflash, and Bizar Hagopian all of whom have returned to work after a short illness. . . . Bob Cochrane was an M.C. at a banquet for a Cub Scout troop who were celebrating their third year and cub scoutings 43rd year in existence. . . . L. Harding and Harold Flinton went clam-digging and were keenly disappointed when they dug all day and came up with less than a bushel of clams. They both claim they expect quite a clam shortage this year. . . . Jeff Powers' son Dick was a substitute on the Northbridge High team that entered the Clark Tourney. Look for Dick to be on the varsity squad next year. . . . Walter Turpack recently bought an Oldsmobile 98 and Armand Lavallee acquired a Chevrolet club coupe. William Griffiths received his five-year pin.

The Bolster Job extends a welcome to its new men—Norman Labelle, Norman Perras, Leo Hudon, William Patterson, and Donat Bergeron. . . . Marty Cahill, a former Bolster Job employee and now a fire-fighter in the town of Milford surprised some of us and paid us a visit. It certainly was good to see Marty after a year. . . . Shop softball is upon us again. We hope to be able to field a team this year and enter the play-offs.

CARD SMALL PARTS AND CYLINDERS

by Millie Turgeon

Let's start off by making amends for an omission last month. Although one person on the job was mentioned as having taken part in the Glee Club Concert, another was left out, unintentionally. So, to Tommy Stevenson—my apologies, for not mentioning you, too. . . . We have two new men on the job. First, was Ralph Pickering. This is his first job in the shop. He worked for the Star Carbonizing Company in Woonsocket where he lives. Ralph played football for P and Q. Incidentally, he played in a game against our other football player, Ed Baldyga, who played for Chipman's corner. Ralph also enjoys all kinds of fishing, fresh water, deep sea and surf fishing. Harold Hoekstra is our other new fellow. He worked in No. 5 Crib as a stock clerk before coming to us. He likes to play baseball and enjoys watching football and hockey. He also likes to shoot pool, prefers rotation. . . . Speaking of hockey, Andy Baird, Bob Stewart, Tommy Stevenson, Henry Beaudoin, and Charlie Hoekstra recently took in a hockey game

between Providence and Pittsburgh. They first stopped for supper at the Sheraton-Biltmore, then off to the Arena for the game They enjoyed the game even though they missed the first quarter. . . . Rita DeOme, Veronica Mahoney, Agnes Spence, Gert Conrad, and Ruthie DesJourdy took in the Ice Follies at the Providence Arena recently and stopped along the way for supper. A nice time was had by all.

Russell Durand has been having quite a bit of trouble with his leg again. It all goes back to an injury received while working out in the yard. This last session he had to spend three and a half weeks in the Whitinsville Hospital. He is now back to work again, and we sincerely hope he has no more trouble with it. . . . "Chick" Lavallee is now going in the chicken business. He has about 19 Bantams for his BIG business. (Chick, chick, chick—wonder who's calling who.) . . . We had a few pictures taken on the job with a polaroid camera (which particularly fascinated me. I've been interested in those cameras for some time). The main subject of these pictures was the new knitting guide bar assembly for the shop catalogue. They came out good. . . . Birthday greetings are in order this month for George Forsythe, who celebrates on April 4, Leo Roberts on the 16th, Roland Graves on the 23rd, and Joe Tero on the 29th. Happy birthday to all. . . . Six girls from town made the finals in the W.T.A.G. Tournament. They are Fran Haringa, Rose Kalonas, Anna Palulian, Cora Barsamian, Inez Thomas, and Bunny Janton. Best of luck to you, and come home with the bacon!

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

Personality of the Month: Norman King, one of our ring buffers, has been with Whitin 30 years, having started here at the age of 16. Previous to this he worked at the East Douglas mills and attended schools in that town. At the present time he lives in North Uxbridge with his wife. He has a married daughter and two sons in the armed forces in Korea. He was born in Nashua, New Hampshire. Asked about his hobbies, they are gardening and television. . . . Carl Johnson was honored on the anniversary of his 30 years at the plant by the Messrs. Bolton, Cunningham, and Pierson. Congratulations, Carl. . . . Alphonse Turgeon feels he should be accorded some recognition because his birthday came on the same day that Joseph Stalin was buried. Congratulations, Al, on your birthday. . . . Spring is in the air and before many days Dick Lemay will be seen on the road to Laurel Lake. . . . Birthday greetings to Carl Johnson, Gert Ebbeling, Kay Ebbeling, Mac McCullouch, and Titus Ebbeling, Jr. . . . No, it's not a new car, it's a 48 Plymouth, new to me, replacing the Dodge which was on the road to ruin.

CAST IRON AND RATTLER ROOMS

by Jim Fallon

Arakel Almasian, who has been working in the Whitin Machine Works for 30 years, retired March 13. He came to this country in 1913 and lived and worked in Providence for eight years before he came to Whitinsville to live. Arakel was born in Armenia in 1879. We wish Arakel happiness in his retirement. His son works on the grinding wheels in this department.

Roger C. Vandemoortele, who works on the sorting tables in this department, has a 1950 Nash. All I have to say is there must be money on the sorting table. . . . Christian S. Oswald, who worked on the sorting tables left on March 20 to return to Eastern, Pennsylvania, to work on a dairy farm. . . . George Gray, who works in the Rattler Room, hurt his arm while working. . . . Clarence E. Corey started on March 5 as a time clerk in department 405. Good luck!

Tom Dwyer worked as time clerk in Department 405 until he went into the Army in January. He is stationed at Fort Dix in New Jersey with the Service Battery, 34th Field Artillery of the 9th Infantry Division. . . . Leo Cournoyer, who drives the electric truck in this department, for two years has had a hobby of collecting old coins. His collection is now worth $100 in cash. He comes from Rockdale. . . . Omer Ross, who is a grinder on the bench in the Cast Iron Room, has a hobby of collecting match books for his brother-in-law, who makes ash trays out of them.

Local Pup Wins Award

FAME and good fortune have come to Jimmy Leonard and his three-year-old dog, Boots. To Boots, who is part spaniel, part hound, and all dog, went the distinction of being the only mongrel to be a money winner at the Eastern Kennels Dog Show held in Mechanics Building. To Jimmy, who is all boy, went a crisp and negotiable $50 war bond.

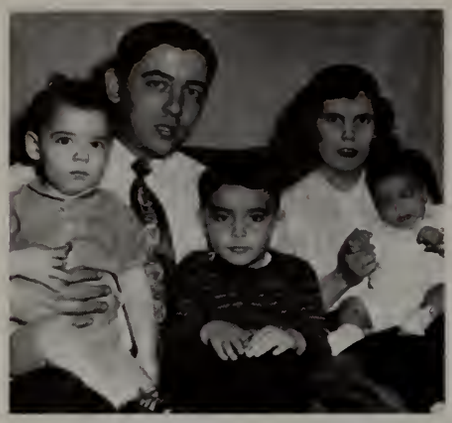
The story began when Jimmy and Boots were photographed on their way to the playground where Boots is so faithful a customer that he is included in the daily attendance records. The resulting picture was seen by hundreds of our employees on the cover of the August, 1951, SPINDLE. Ernest Leonard, Jimmy's father, entered the picture in a Dog Devotion Contest sponsored by the Boston *Daily Record* and the Boston *American-Advertiser* newspapers.

Over 5000 other people also entered pictures. The shot of Jimmy and Boots was one of 12 selected for the semifinals held in Boston. Eight entries were awarded $25 and dropped from competition. Boots, plain Whitinsville mongrel, was left in the select and pedigreed company of a St. Bernard, a springer spaniel, and a water spaniel.

Boots and the other three select pets were on exhibition for a two-day period before they entered the ring on the evening of Monday, February 23, for the final selection. With Coach Red Auerback and star center "Easy Ed" Macauley of the Boston Celtics and Mickey Harris, Cleveland Indians pitcher, acting as judges, the silver loving cup went to a flop-eared spaniel named Crickets. To Boots and the other two finalists went $50 war bonds.

Jimmy Leonard and Boots won a $50 war bond in Dog Devotion Contest in Boston

Boots was not impressed by either his competition or the vast crowd on hand for the finals of the dog show. With dignity he posed for newspaper photographers. His Whitinsville friends note that his head has not been turned by the publicity he has gained, but that he continues to be a faithful and devoted companion.



Joseph Bartlett, Tool Job Personality, with Mrs. Bartlett and family

Howard Walker, of the Tool Job, with the thin man which was presented to him by Charlotte Duvernay. (Photo by George Jones)

Veronica Mahoney, Bolt Job Personality of the Month, has been with Whitin for 18 years

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

Joe Bartlett is the Personality of the Month. Joe was born in North Uxbridge in 1924 but the family moved to Whitinsville when he was very young. After attending the schools in North Uxbridge he started serving his apprenticeship in the Whitin Machine Works. In 1942 the Navy took Joe away for three years. He served on the battleship U.S.S. New Jersey. Upon his release he came back to the Whitin Machine Works to finish serving his time. In 1946 he married Theresa Bouthilette of Uxbridge and they now have three children: Joe, Jr., age five; Bruce, one year and six months; and Richard, six months. Joe likes to play the piano, which he does very well, although he has never taken a lesson. His other hobby is taking old automobiles and cutting them down to make tractors. At the present time, he is building himself a new home in North Uxbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Baker spent the week of March 21 in Detroit, where Mr. Baker was attending a Convention of the American Society of Tool Engineers. . . . George Moran of the Cutter Grinding Room wore a bright orange shirt on St. Patrick's Day. He had a lot of fun with it but he kept away from Jack Conlon. St. Patrick's Day is a sacred day in Jack's life. . . . Julius Vierstra wishes it known that he will give any one of his friends a ride home *providing* they are going his way. . . . Gene Lussier, John Gauthier, Jim Gellatly, Jim McGuigan, Hertsen Heerdt, all of Department 454 and Ken Stanley of Research, attended the basketball game between the Boston Celtics and the Baltimore Bullets in Worcester on March 16. These six men take in at least one professional basketball game each year.

The Tool Job Sick Benefit Club will hold its annual Banquet, April 18, in Pythian Hall. This year the entertainment is expected to be the best that it has ever been. The first year the entertainment was provided by the Tool Job talent and was excellent; the following years we had professional entertainment or dancing. We enjoyed our own entertainment the best of all, so this year we are going to have a Minstrel Show directed by Art Barsey.

Adam Brabel is the sport of the month with his new 1953 Ford Victoria.

In last month's issue, you read how Howard Walker had won a bet, but full details were not available. Mrs. Charlotte Duvernay (Tool Job Office) bet Howard one dollar that he could not take off 10 pounds by St. Patrick's Day. He lost 34 pounds, so Charlotte presented Howard with a thin man made of cardboard with 100 pennies glued on.

PLANERS AND BOLTS

by Mel Henry and Ray Woodcome

Personality of the Month is Veronica Mahoney who has been on the Bolt Job for the past 18 years. Veronica was born in Adams Corner, Northbridge, where she attended school and lived until five years ago when she moved to South Sutton. Her hobbies are collecting china dolls and embroidery. She is a member of the Pythian Women's League Bowling Team.

Happy birthdays this month go to Freddie Siepietowski, Veronica Mahoney, Alice Bassett, Leo Brouillard, and Elsie Gellatly. . . . Tony D'Alfonso has bought a new home in North Uxbridge. . . . Ray Valente, inspector, has been transferred to 423. . . . A pleasant surprise was a visit from Al Buma, home on leave from the marines. . . . Congratulations to Soody Asadoorian on his election to commander of his Post.

We have heard from reliable sources that Newk Wallace has become a cat fancier, but with a new twist. Stealing a page from Houdini's book, one night recently he visited a neighbor's yard looking for a dead cat. Finally he located the cat and buried it with a full ceremony. Then he dashed back to the warmth of his living room and the evening paper. To the amazement of everyone (but Newk) suddenly the cat calmly walked in the front room door. . . . Softball candidates are needed to replace players who have left us in the past year.

GENERAL MACHINING

by James Magowan and Ken Harrington

Personality of the Month: Marcel Plante, a quiet young man, was born in Lewiston, Maine. In his young days, his family moved to Woonsocket, Rhode Island, where he attended the public schools. He is a graduate of Woonsocket High School. He married the former Rita Dussault of Bellingham in 1941. He served three years in the Army, seeing duty in the "Battle of the Philippines" and Okinawa. He has worked at the Springfield Arsenal, Taft Pierce of Woonsocket, came to Whitin Machine Works in 1947, and started on the Screw Job. At present he is a set-up man on the turret lathes. Marcel lives in Woonsocket and has three children—Muriel, Dennis, and Alan. Marcel has as a hobby harness racing and, believe me, he never misses a race. He knows all phases of harness racing.

Welcome back to the job, Dominic Bombredi. He has just finished a two-year hitch in the U. S. Army. He was stationed at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. . . . Talent Scouts, watch out! We have the makings of a band of some sort and with a few more players and a whole lot of practice we may take them to Talent Scouts. Leo Mullins, on the piano; Hector Roy, with his banjo; and Uncle Fred Robertson, with his bagpipes. Any more applicants? . . . Anyone wanting a duck for Thanksgiving or Christmas place your order with John Malley who is going into the business.

Softball is in the air and 423 has a roster already. On paper we are unbeatable—but if all our grandstand athletes would come

out and help us physically, maybe we could get into the play-offs for a change. How about it, fellows?

Many happy returns to John Megerdichian, on his birthday. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Krajewski on their wedding anniversary.

SPINDLE JOB

by Ed Bates

Stanley Rutana's daughter Pauline now has a driver's license so we of the Spindle Job will be looking forward to seeing Stanley pedalling her bicycle over route 146. Stanley says he enjoys bicycle riding very much. I wonder if this is true or is it a necessity? . . . Everett Bishop of this Job wore his green on March 17. He was wagered a bet he wouldn't wear a green carnation, but he was seen a little later with this flower scotch-taped to the bald spot on his head. We all had a chance at ribbing him and he is a great sport. . . . There are rumors in the air that Miss Nancy Small is drifting towards the road of wedding bells. How about this? . . . Jacob Wassenar of Department 439 received his pin for 25 years of continuous service although he has been employed here about 32 years. . . . Albert Violette, who is in the Navy, was in to visit us the first week of March. He is looking fine.

Personality of the Month: Ovila Gervais, born at St. Gabriel, Canada, came to U.S.A. in 1909 and lived at Linwood. He is an American citizen. Ovila started with the Whitin Machine Works in 1917 on the Spindle Job where he has been since. His first work was applying oil deflectors on spindle blades. Since then he has done a large variety of work in the years that followed and now is set-up man on lathes. Ovila has two sons and two daughters. He is president of the Progressive Club in North Uxbridge and has been an active member in the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

LINWOOD DIVISION TIN CYLINDER JOB

by Wilbur Baird

Personality of the Month: Harry Malkasian was born in Whitinsville on December 17, 1918. He attended the local schools and graduated from the Northbridge High School in 1936. In December of the same year he entered the employ of the Whitin Machine Works in Department 450, and except for the time he served in the U. S. Navy during World War II, he has worked only in this department. Harry is the grievance man for Departments 450 and 451. He is married to the former Lillian Tarpintan of Providence and they have one son, Harry, Jr. His hobbies include baseball and collecting oriental records.

Mrs. Dorothy Spencer, timekeeper and secretary to Alan Blizard, has just purchased a new 1953 Chevrolet. We understand she also has a well-stocked 14 cubic foot deep freeze in the cellar of her home. We are all wondering what the story is, Dorothy.

Belated birthday greetings to Frank DeJong whose birthday was March 2, and to Ed Jones and Al Cupka who have birthdays in April. Many happy returns, boys. . . . On February 27 Carl Nyquest, one of our inspectors, left the Shop for service in the U. S. Army. He received a purse of money from his associates.

GRINDER JOB

by Virginia Burke

Personality of the Month: William Markarian of the grinders has been an employee of the Whitin Machine Works for 20 years. "Bill," as he is known to his fellow-workers, was born in Portland, Maine, July 16, 1912. He later moved to Whitinsville where he attended the local schools. He is a graduate of Northbridge High School and Becker Junior College. When entering the employ of Whitins, he started on the Bolster Job, then transferred to the Roll Job, was later supervisor on the Magneto Job, then he moved to the Tool Job, and is now running a grinder machine at 426. Bill is captain of the Job bowling team, which has been the winner for the past two years, and trying for the third. His hobbies are bowling and fishing. Bill recently moved into his new home on Fowler Road. He is married and has two children, Robert W., 12 years, and Irene, seven years. Bill, a quiet fellow, is well liked by all and we wish him the best of luck in his new home.

Birthday greetings to Lucy Mooradian and Virginia Burke. . . . Alpherie Varin, formerly with a textile mill in Providence, has joined the department as night timekeeper. . . . We were all very interested in the cottage built recently by Herman Picard, a group leader of the department. He did all the construction work himself, and it has every convenience one could think of, and is beside a lake in Rhode Island. We know he will enjoy many happy hours at the cottage.

LINWOOD MILL

by Louise Sohigian

We are very happy for our office clerk Widgie Esposito. Her husband arrived home from Korea after serving 19 months. We welcome Brenda Cook who is temporarily taking her place. . . . Congratulations to Cora Barsamian who again qualified for the Telegram and Gazette Bowling Tournament. Cora has participated almost every year. Lots of luck, Cora. . . . We welcome back Kitty Bagdasarian who is working upstairs under engineering for Howard and Bullough. . . . The Chevrolets down here started to get competition when Joe Berkowitz drove in one morning with a brand-new Ford. . . . Birthday candles were lit in March for Harry Jackson and Tillie Oppewall.

Seaman 1st Class Leo Rondeau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rondeau, Cottage Street, Whitinsville, has been with the U. S. Navy since 1950

Ovila Gervais, Spindle Job Personality, has worked in this department since 1917

William Markarian, Grinder Job Personality of the Month, is a graduate of Northbridge High School and Becker Junior College. Shown with Bill is his niece

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

Kenny Johnson was in to visit us recently. He is being transferred to Camp Stoneman in California and from there he will go to the Far East. . . . We received a card from Ray Dumais who is at Aberdeen Proving Grounds. He was married down there Saturday, March 7, to the former Marjorie Trask of this town. . . . Jim Buckley has been transferred from Texas to Hunter Air Force Base, Savannah, Georgia. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Roy who celebrate their 22nd wedding anniversary April 6.

Florence Zeroogian's score in the Women's Bowling Tournament was 385, which doesn't sound too promising, so better luck next year, Flo. . . . Fourteen little guests were present at a party for Arlene Marie Rondeau who celebrated her first birthday March 2. Arlene's father is a painter in this department.

METHODS DEPARTMENT

by Jean Cunningham

Al Capone, the all-around man of the office, is engineering the work for a cottage to be built at Charleston by Larry Haymen. Al is the boy with all the answers and promises some pictures as the work progresses. Good luck, Larry. . . . Albert Brouwer is very proud, and has good reason for feeling that way about his 15-year-old daughter Marilyn, who is quite the swimmer. Within two weeks' time she broke the New England record for the 300-yard individual medley by five and 2-tenths seconds. This record hadn't been broken since 1947. On the same day she also placed second in the 100-yard backstroke. A short time before this she came in with top honors for the 100-yard backstroke at a meet in Leominster. . . . Herbie Andrews claims that now all is well and he has redeemed himself with Al Arterton. Herbie helped Al pull Mrs. Arterton out of the mud about 11 p.m. the other night. Herbie feels that he has proven he is indeed a friend in need. . . . Walter Frieswick and his family are enjoying the new car Walter has bought. Remember to drive safely, Walt, so you may enjoy it for a long time.

Let's sing happy birthday to the following members of the department this month. First, for Larry Haymen as I neglected him before, and then for Sid Buma, Al Capone, Paul Wheeler, and also Paul's son whose birthday is the same day as his dad's. . . . We want to congratulate Paul Wheeler and his wife on their 18th wedding anniversary. . . . Kurken Garabedian and his wife Alice, are also celebrating their second wedding anniversary. We hope these two couples have many more years of happiness together. . . . Paul Wheeler and a group of men from town recently put on a sketch at the Blue and Gold Banquet of the Cub Scouts and a good time was had by all. . . . Did you ever fall over a wagon? Well, I did and on St. Patrick's Day, too. I went to visit a convalescing friend of mine who happens to be Irish and upon leaving my foot slipped on the step; I tumbled to one side and over a big red wagon. But everything was O.K. I was told as long as I didn't hurt the wagon in any way. I didn't count, even if I had had a broken leg, so they tell me. . . . We want to welcome Carol McCrea to the office. We hope she will enjoy her stay with us as much as we will enjoy having her with us. Carol came to us from Department 489, Inspection Office. Also, we want to welcome back to the department, Emmet Martin, who left us for a while to work at 411. They surely must miss him down there because of his very unique whistling. . . . We wish Lydia Hickey, who is on a leave of absence, a rapid recovery. If she returns soon, perhaps she and Emmet can give us a pretty good duet, as Lydia is a very cheerful whistler around the office, too.

At the Little League banquet at the Klondike Inn, Grafton, on March 10, plans were discussed for the 1953 season. The Northbridge Little League will open its season with a twin bill on May 9 at Vail Field. Pictured above are the managing personnel. Front row, from the left: Robert Wood, treasurer; Leo Smith, vice-president; James Brosnahan, president; and James Davidson, secretary. Back row, from the left: Arthur Lavallee, Richard Cunningham, Everett Adams, James Kane, and William Papetti

MAIN OFFICE

by Elia Dell Orco

The perfume of spring is in the air and down in the Export Sales Department the birth of a new type of art is being celebrated. Forget your modernism and away with your cubism, just drop by and ask Albert Callens for a glimpse of the greatest of them all, "Manchaug at Midnight," the picture that has the world of art in a quandary. . . . They tell me Rome was once the center of the world but judging from the trips made recently by members of the Main Office, these days all roads lead either to New York or Florida. Within the past few weeks the Empire State has sheltered at various times Evelyn McNamara, Sally Mantashigian, Agnes Kalousdian, and Roy Rollins while Jim Robertson spent two weeks soaking up the sun at Miami Beach and from the looks of him he brought most of it back home with him. . . . By the way, I trust that no one overlooked, as I did in my previous column, the newcomer to the Main Office. In humble apology I'd like to introduce Mr. Wayne Stinson who came to us after four and one-half years in the Wage Standards Department. Wayne lives with his wife and three and one-half-year-old daughter in Uxbridge, and I know you'll pardon the touch of prejudice that might be showing when I say that his being an "Uxbridgite" is definitely in his favor.

Gosh, April Fool's Day came and went completely overlooked and uncelebrated by me. Couldn't get my thoughts off the very nice emerald studded pin which Mr. Bolton presented to Gert Barlow in honor of her 30 years' stay with the Whitin Machine Works. . . . And for those of you who might be wondering, Gloria Marshall has received word that her husband, Carlton Marshall, has been stationed at an army hospital at Inchon, Korea. . . . Our accolade for April is for Jim Marshall, Jesse Loredo, Gert Barlow, May Hutcheson, Evelyn McNamara, and Marion Taft who are celebrating birthdays and for E. Kent Swift, Sr., Connie Dale, Olga Rutana, and Clayton Cleverly who are celebrating anniversaries.

FLASH! Get out the midnight oil and lubricate your cerebral gears. This is an advance warning and don't be caught with your scrappaper down. Next month we are featuring the greatest problem of the age—and if you can solve it you're a better man than I. Until then, ADIOS.

Barrett Judson, Master-List Personality of the Month, was a 1st class hospital corpsman during World War II. While in the armed forces he took a premedical course in a California hospital

MASTER LIST DEPARTMENT

by Rensforth Yeo

Personality of the Month: Barrett Judson lives at 72 West Water Street in Whitinsville with his wife, June, and their two sons, Thomas, age three, and David, age one. Although Barry has only been with W.M.W. a relatively short time, he is very well known through his many activities. "Jud" started in No. 5 Storeroom as an assembly pick-up man and after two years came to the assembly group of the Master List Department, and very recently was assigned to a specifications analyst job on repair orders for spinning and twisters. Barry once worked for Schuster Woolen Mills in East Douglas and Central Tool Co. of Sutton. He served in World War II as a 1st class hospital corpsman and saw action in the Philippines and Okinawa. While spending some three and one-half years in the service, he took a pre-medical course at Balboa Hospital in California, and upon his discharge studied pathology at Hahnemann Hospital in Worcester prior to coming here.

Barry is married to the former June Froh who was an employee of the Wage Standards Department. Her father "Ted" Froh is supervisor of budgets. Barry is a member of the local Fire Department, Fire Engine Company No. 2, the Home Garden Club and the Men's Club at the Methodist Church. His outside interests are bowling, softball (W.M.W. Shop League), hunting, fishing, and picking cranberries. He's pretty good at all of them.

Roy Burroughs, supervisor of the Printing Room, Master List Department, was awarded his 30-year pin on March 16 by President J. Hugh Bolton and Works Manager Eric O. Pierson. Congratulations, Roy.

Birthday greetings to James Ferry, R. K. Brown, Lou Lucier, and Angela Zanchetti. . . . Joan Parker is now a tracer in the Engineering Department. Formerly she was in charge of repair order records. We all wish Joan good luck on her new job. . . . Muriel Nichola has taken over Joan's previous job. We all hope that Muriel will enjoy her new job. . . . Earl Burroughs, son of Roy Burroughs, Printing Room supervisor, returned home from Korea recently. We are glad for both Earl and Roy. . . . James Ashworth has been out ill for quite some time. All of us hope that Jim will be feeling better and be back to work soon. . . . Ray Tebeau enjoyed a trip to Philadelphia to see his Holy Cross basketball team play Navy in the N.C.A.A. opening round. The Cross won, making the trip a complete success.

WAGE STANDARDS DEPARTMENT

by John Romasco

A warm welcome is extended to Mrs. Elizabeth Brown and Ben Musket who have returned to work after a short period of hospitalization. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Donald Amiro attended the Governor's Inaugural Ball and reported having a very pleasant evening. . . . Several members of the office have decided to go on a "calorie spree" and are becoming well read on the subject. If anyone would like further information on same please contact Russ Lupien. . . . Harold Thayer was recently "bent to starboard" due to a sacroiliac condition. He stated that it was due to a muscle in his back. Could it possibly have been from pushing his "Chevy"? He says it never fails him!

A warm welcome is extended to James Maffia, formerly of the Foundry Office, who has joined the foundry division of Wage Standards and Francis Fleener who is a transfer from Department 411. . . . Recently our foreign car expert Ronnie King spotted a Jaguar parked in front of the plant.

Hyke Markarian has been discharged from the armed forces after serving two years in Okinawa and Japan. Hyke was a draftsman as well as a radio operator while in the service. His father is Nishan Altoonian, Rattler Room

Mr. and Mrs. William Meadowcroft to attend coronation

William Meadowcroft, who was a maintenance mechanic in the Power House prior to his retirement in November, 1952, and Mrs. Meadowcroft, have made arrangements to attend the coronation ceremonies in England in June. They will sail on the "Queen Mary" from New York on April 29. During their stay abroad they plan to visit Mr. Meadowcroft's sister whom he hasn't seen since coming to the States with his family in 1923. Before they return they expect to tour Ireland and Germany.

Quoth Ronnie "There's a real buggy." . . . Birthday congratulations to Donald Amiro, Howard Sears, and "Jo" Taylor. . . . Ralph Stinson is temporarily transferred to Department 410, standard data division. Howard Sears and Russell Lupien have joined the standard data group of the Foundry Division. . . . Welcome back to John Bloem who has rejoined our organization. . . . Have you noticed the new Adolph Menjou mustache recently taken on by Ralph Stinson. Pretty sharp, Ralphie. . . . At this writing quite a number of office personnel are getting their fishing gear ready for the fishing season which is rapidly approaching. At the next writing we should have some whopping fish stories to tell you.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

by Peggy Beaudreau

We say "hello" to a number of new people in our department this month. Philip O'Grady, a graduate of Northbridge High School, '48, works for Sam Hobbs in the Scheduling Department; Seb Kalousdian, a graduate of Northbridge High School, '49, now works as a draftsman in the Twister

MYSTERY PHOTO—John Kovar, salesman, on the left, was the man in our Mystery Photo last month. Compare this picture with his latest photograph on page 7. Would you recognize the young fellow on the right if you saw him today?

Section; Joan Parker has been transferred from the Master List Department to the Tracing Section. Joan graduated from Northbridge High School in 1950. Mrs. Nellie White, secretary to Al Roy and Otto Schlums is from East Douglas and formerly worked at an insurance concern in Worcester. . . . Mr. Ted Fior from Uxbridge and Mr. Paul Cheney from Worcester will be with us for several months working for Ken Piper. They have been loaned to us by the Associated Engineers of Worcester. Hope you like your stay, Ted and Paul. . . . Sophie Steele, who works in the Blueprint Department, will leave us in September to resume her nursing study. She is also a graduate of Northbridge High School, '51.

Mill trip was made by Earl Wood to New York. . . . Ken Piper received his 25-year pin from Mr. Bolton on March 16. Ken is pretty proud of that pin and I don't blame him. He worked hard for it. Hope you are here for 25 more years, Ken. . . . Stella Boudreau was out for several weeks with the flu bug, but came back feeling good and with a pocketful of wonderful news. . . . Dick Ramsbotham celebrated his birthday on March 21; Henry Rivet did some birthday celebrating on April 9; and Celia and Hector Beaudreau celebrated their first wedding anniversary on April 14. Congratulations to you all.

REPAIR SALES DEPARTMENT

by Joyce Rondeau

Mrs. Dorothy Albin has left the department. She and her husband are opening Albin's Photo Studio in Uxbridge. We wish you success in your new venture. . . . We welcome three newcomers to the office this month: Josephine Lewson, who came from the Freight Office, was previously employed at McCarthy's Department Store in Woonsocket, Ann Michna, who worked at Denholm's and Joy Varteresian, from the Employer's Liability Assurance Corp. Ltd., in Worcester are the two new typists. . . . On a rainy day Mr. Nelson is the envy of the office with his new plastic rain trousers. . . . We now have a celebrity in our midst. Ruth Crothers became famous when she discovered a cat riding in the motor of her new Ford. . . . At this writing the Repair Department Bowling Team is leading the league. Rose Kalonas is entered in the Women's Finals of the Worcester Telegram & Gazette Bowling Tournament. She had a score of 504. She is second high from Whitinsville. . . . Birthday congratulations go to Betty Mombourquette, Joyce Brown, Anna Marie Gleason, and Ray Adams. Also a happy first anniversary to Joyce Brown.

Our Personality of the Month is Raymond Adams. Ray was born in 1897 in Northbridge, Massachusetts. He is well known for his 25 years as an orchestra leader in this locality. From 1916 to 1942 he was associated with three orchestras; Jack Hay's, Adams and Brown, and Silver Rhythm. Ray is still full of rhythm, which is shown by his whistling and humming whenever the music is played in the Shop. He is an active member of the Elks and the Whitinsville Golf Club. He is also a member of that "Famous Hill Billy Foursome" at the Golf Club. . . . Ray has been in the Shop since 1917. He and his wife, Florence B., who worked in the Main Office for 35 years, reside on Forest Street.

DEPARTMENT 411

by Lois Heerdt

New men in our department this month are: R. Boucher, R. Noe, T. Roche, G. McNelly, C. Pratt, O. Racine, and G. Ross. We also welcome Jennie Ebbeling to our department as assistant timekeeper. Jennie formerly worked in Department 427. . . . Helen Burroughs' son recently returned home from Korea.

For the past few weeks we have heard quite a bit of talk about golf. It seems that a few of the fellows have gotten together and organized a golf club which they call "The Good Time Club." The club consists of 12 members: Norman Lightbown, "Peanuts" Johnson, William Mayberry, William Steele, Emmett Martin, Armand Poulin, Leon Atteridge, Richard Walker, Eugene Massey, William Walsh, Al Morin, and Jim Kane. There are three substitutes: Claude Rogers, Bill Lavallee, and Russell Whiting. On March 5, the club went to the Klondike for supper and held a meeting to decide on the teams. The next day Gene Massey received a book from Bill Walsh, his teammate, on how to shoot under 40. It would probably be a good idea if Bill would study this book himself. You don't shoot 40, Bill, by taking 13 strokes on one hole!

PAYROLL COMPUTATION, TABULATING, BUDGETS, STATEMENTS AND OFFICE TIMEKEEPING

by Edith Allen

About 30 girls from Department 462 attended a farewell party for Florence Pieleski at the Colonial Club in Webster on March 19. A delicious dinner and lively social evening was enjoyed and Florence was presented a gift of money. She has worked for Whitin Machine Works for 12 years, the last six in Statements. Now, with her sister Janet, recently of the drafting room, she is taking up residence in Hartford, Connecticut. Best wishes of the entire Department 462 go with the girls on their new venture.

Payroll Computation welcomes Catherine Ivy Reeves (Mrs. Edward) who leaves the drafting room to join their number. . . . Margaret Crosby of Payroll Computation has a birthday in April. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Fred Garcelon celebrate their wedding anniversary this month. Fred is supervisor of statements.

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Tad Wallace, Dorsey Devlin, and Gloria Carter

We welcome back Dorsey Devlin who has been out sick for about two and a half weeks. . . . Birthday greetings this month to Norman Jussaume. . . . Dave Picard dropped in to visit us on March 19. Dave has just finished his basic training and is now stationed at Fort Devens. It was nice seeing you around, Dave, drop in again. . . . Paul Devlin was the victim of the meanest bandit we know. Returning home from work recently Paul found that his front door had been broken and his television missing. Paul, who always manages a wisecrack, says he hopes his unwelcome visitor returns and takes his antenna as it is no good on his roof. Rumors are, and we got this from a good source (Gummy), that they found Channel 7 up in Manchaug. Paul said that Channel 7 is rather snowy and he would much rather have found another one.

It seems no matter what a person is—Irish, English, Polish, Russian, or a hundred others as long as they are famous—Julie McMullin claims them as being Irish. St. Patrick's Day was an exciting day for Julie and everyone she talked to was Irish. Bill O'Kearnan, Victor O'Ramasco, and F. O. O'Rizer all came to work with a bit of green

to make Julie happy. All we ask is next ear someone brings in a book of facts to ove in black and white to Julie just what eople are and who wrote the great Irish ngs. As I said before Julie wants to claim em all.

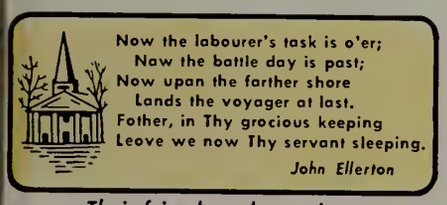
No. 5 Notes: We are glad to welcome back ill Mulligan and Eugene Pierce. Both oys have been in the service. Arthur Meinlle has joined the boys at No. 5. He was reviously a time clerk at the Core Room.

OST DEPARTMENT

y Dick Hanny and leve Reynolds

Once again we say farewell to one of our -workers as John Kneeland, our knitting achine expert, leaves to accept employment t Wyman-Gordon in North Grafton. Upon mpletion of an apprentice course, he will ecome a die-sinker. A party attended by is many friends was held at the Riverside .C. on Friday, March 20. Best of luck nd success in your new venture, Johnny. . . Now that Coach Frank Flynn's ellingham Blackhawks have completed heir basketball season in spectacular fashion y capturing the Assumption Class "B" nvitation Tournament, Mary Gibbons, who aithfully supported the team, is now devotng her time to the chairmanship of the Millville Red Cross Drive. She is assisted y Helen Sitnik, also of our department. . . Paul Drolet, as reported in our last ssue, is enjoying his adventures on the Pacific coast according to his latest letter. Ve are sure he would enjoy letters from his ormer co-workers—address supplied upon equest. . . . Nice to see Florence LeBeau ack at work after a period of illness. Several f the ladies in our department attended a arewell party at the Colonial Club for Florence Pieleski of the Statements Deartment.

Birthday Greetings to: Oscar Erickson, Philip Johnson, Roland Farrar.



Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Mr. and Mrs. Eino W. Johnson and family on the death of Mrs. Anna Johnson.

Fred Kollett on the death of his sister and to Joseph Brisson on the death of his father.

Survivors of Patrick F. Dowling, 35, who died suddenly on March 18. He worked in Crib No. 12 on Department 446.

Harold Barnes, Crib No. 16, on the recent death of his father.

Francis Canty on the death of his father.

Robert H. Parker, inspector in the Cast Iron Room, on the death of his brother, Warren, on March 21.

Marion Crimmings upon the death of her father.

Jacob Smith on the death of his father, Joseph Smith, who died March 4, 1953.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Rymeski on the death of their daughter, age nine weeks. Chet is night Foundry supervisor.

Jean Roy and family on the death of their father at the age of 81. Joseph leaves seven sons and three daughters and 49 grandchildren. Six sons work in the Whitin Machine Works—two in the Foundry, three on the Ring Job and one on the Small Packing Job.

Larry Maloney on the death of his brother, Edward.

Joseph V. Beaudin on the death of his son in March.

Horace Dumas, who works on the grinding wheels, on the death of his son, Kenneth, in an automobile accident on March 4, 1953.

Joseph Usher, who is a supervisor on the tables in this department, on the death of his mother, 76, who died on February 27, 1953.

The family of George Baribeault on his death in an automobile accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Grondine announce the engagement of their daughter Miss Ann T. Grondine to Nunzio Rabuffo.

Henry Belseth, Department 411, engaged to Helen Doble of Linwood.

Frances VonFlatern, Repair Sales Department, engaged to Earl Christopher, Jr., of Uxbridge. He is employed with the Emmott Valley Transportation Company in New Jersey.

Marie Oliver married to Joseph E. Jeffreys, Jr., of California at St. Patrick's Church in Whitinsville, April 11. They will live in the state of California

Roger LaFrancois married to Madeline DeOme of Plummers, Whitinsville, at St. Patrick's Church on February 14.

To Leslie Benton, Masterlist Department, and Mrs. Benton, a son, Jeffrey Lynn, at the Worcester Memorial Hospital, March 12.

To Wilfred Rivet, Department 411, and Mrs. Rivet, a son, John, March 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Krajewski, a daughter, Carol Ann, 7 pounds 1 ounce, born March 14, at the Woonsocket Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Loader, a daughter, Carol Ann, born February 21.

To Ira Naroian, assistant foreman of 427, and Mrs. Naroian, a daughter, Beverly Ann, born March 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Bates of New Village, a daughter, Joanne, born on February 28.

To Jerry Mandeville of the Tool Job, and Mrs. Mandeville, a daughter, Celeste, born March 17.

To Alfred Morin of the Tool Job, and Mrs. Morin, a daughter, Donna Patricia, born March 19.

To Leon R. Simmons of the Welding Room, and Mrs. Simmons, a son, David Lee, born February 28.

To Donald White, Department 421, and Mrs. White, a son, Rodney Lee, born at the Whitinsville Hospital on February 21.

To Angus Parker, Jr., Department 446, and Mrs. Parker, a daughter, Linda Mae, born at the Whitinsville Hospital on February 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Drummond, a son, Charles Frederick Drummond, Jr., born March 1 in Memorial Hospital in Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rivet, a son, their first child, James Edward, born March 1 at Whitinsville Hospital. Henry works in the Engineering Department.

To Mr. and Mrs. Al Libby, a daughter, Phyllis Janet, March 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Morin (Aileen of Tabulating, Alfred of Department 454), a daughter, Donna Patricia, 7 pounds 4 ounces, on March 19.

To Leo and Margaret Asadoorian, a son, Leo Charles, born February 23, at Whitinsville Hospital.

To Eddie Nedjiliak and Mrs. Nedjiliak on the birth of a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Francis Coffey on the birth of a son, David Michael, at Milford Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore LaMarco on the birth of a daughter, Linda Ann, on February 11. Grace formerly worked at 406.

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Familiar Faces

Around the Plant

Iver Johnson, crane operator on the charging floor in the Foundry, came to Whitin 44 years ago. He has one daughter and his hobby is fishing

Elmer Farley, supervisor on the Spindle Job, come here from Maine in 1914. He has two sons, three doughters, ond six grondchildren. His habby is softball

Victoria Gigarjian, typist in Wage Standords, entered the Whitin Machine Works in 1942 after graduating from Northbridge High School

Winifred Salo, production clerk in Stock Room 406, lives in East Douglas and has two sons. She tokes pride in her home and often redecorates it

Joseph Truesdell, floor molder in the Foundry, lives in Shrewsbury and has one son. He enjoys playing boseball ond golf in his spare time

John Cellini, planer hand in 414, hos been here since 1929. John lives in Whitinsville, has one son and enjoys reading obout politics

Thomas Riley, on the Bolt Job since 1927, has as his favorite hobbies reading and watching baseball. Tom lives in the Blue Eogle Inn

It's Called the Jobbing Department

The Jobbing Department, like a fine double-barreled shotgun, combines a long-range setup and a short-range setup into one neat package. As a long-range job the 21 men and women of Department 425 produce many thousands of Dupont Draw Twister rolls—a precise and tricky task. As short-range work they make a wide variety of parts for repair, experimental, or new sale orders too small to set up on automatic machines—pieces that seldom exceed 10 in number.

Ordinarily a worker must possess above-average skill to be assigned to Foreman Lester F. "Hank" Hewett's job, a department which was set up in December, 1935, for the purpose of handling small rush orders. When an order of three or four pieces is received from the Production Department, the person to whom the order is assigned must carry the work through from the raw stock to the finished stage. The work may require the use of saws, lathes, drills, shapers, grinders, and milling machines. Tolerances as a rule are measured in ten-thousandths of an inch, and the number of different varieties of parts made runs into the thousands.

The long-range task—the finishing of Dupont Draw Twister rolls—is done on a well-organized line. These forgings have already undergone certain preliminary processes in Departments 409, 418, 408, and 416 before the Jobbing Department begins work on them. In the initial step the forging, which was surface ground in Department 416, is bored on a Heald Bore-Matic operated by Frances Kenney. It is then internal ground by Howard Barnett, form ground by Merrick Houghton, and the outer diameter finish ground by Anthony Stasz.

In order that the face of the roll will run true it is necessary to surface grind the roll from the hole. This work may be done by any one of three attractive young ladies—Sarah DerSarkisian, Rita Vallee, or Frances

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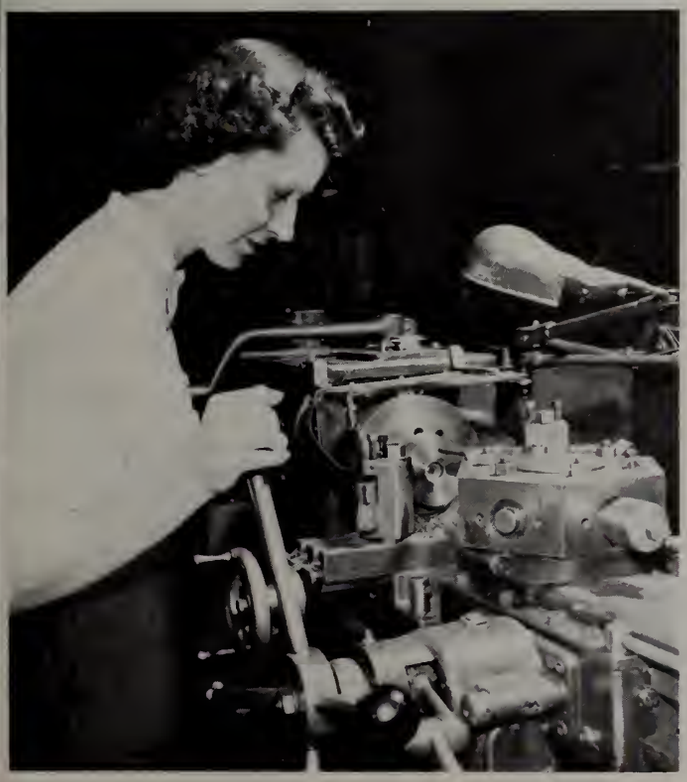

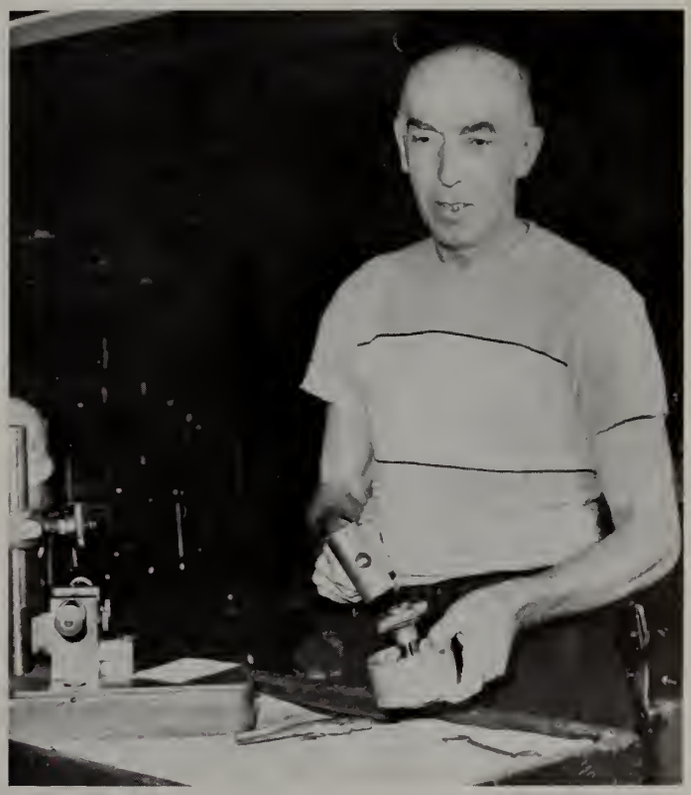

Above: The tolerance on the runout on Dupont rolls for tire-cord is .0002". Here Harold McCulloch taps an arbor into the chrome-plated roll prior to finish grinding

Left: White-hot chips peel from the already hardened work-piece as Rita Vallee counterbores the nut-seat and rounds the corners of a Dupont roll

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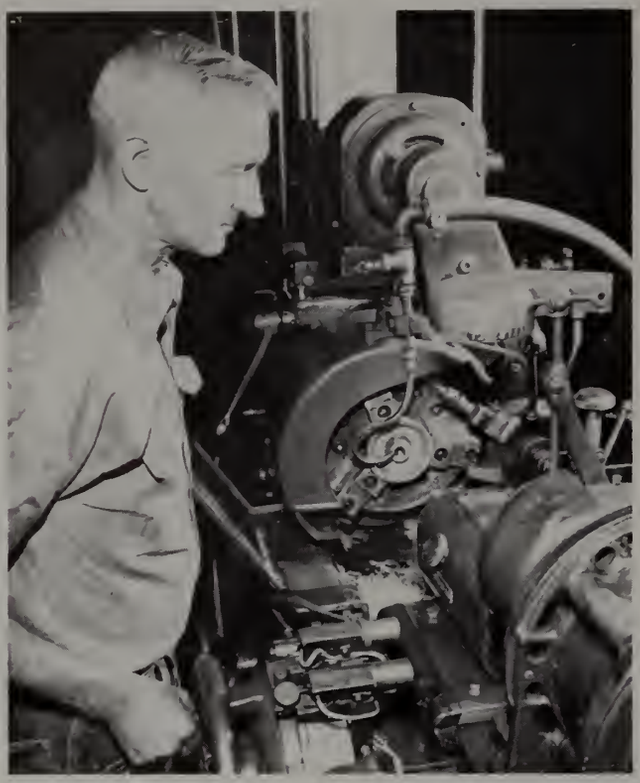
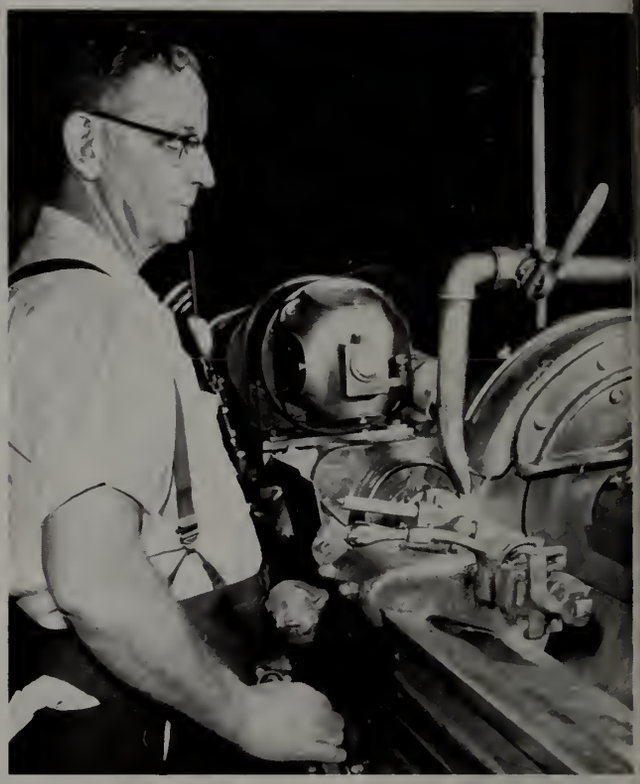
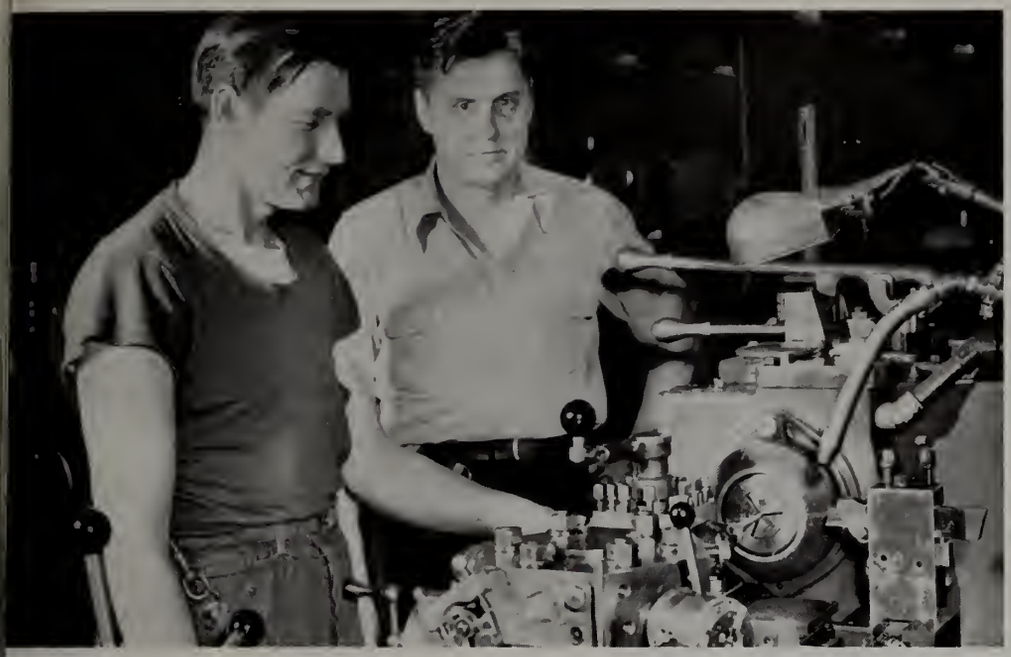


Operating a Heald Size-Matic, Howard Barnett internal grinds Dupont Draw Twister rolls for nylon. These forgings must be machined to exacting tolerances



Merrick Houghton is shown here form grinding the Dupont rolls for nylon on a Norton cylindrical grinder

Using No. 320 grit emery cloth, Gerbin Schotanus gives each roll its final polish on a lathe turning 3500 revolutions per minute

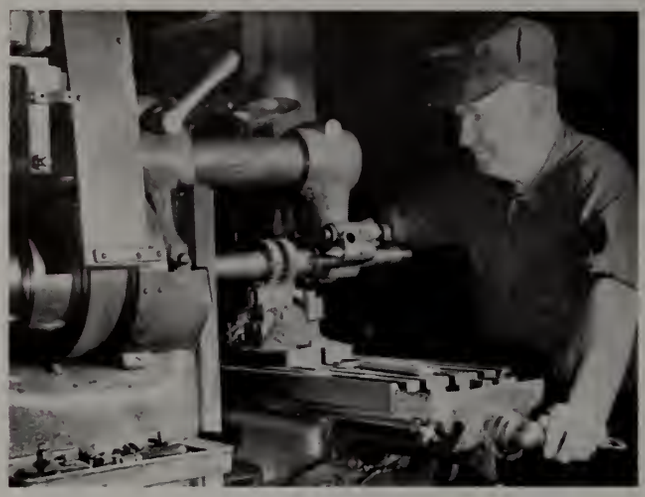


bove: Because of the great variety of work done the de-artment has proved of great value in assisting in the train-ng of apprentices. Acting Assistant Foreman Mitchell adolink is shown supervising Apprentice Arthur Bokoski s he uses a No. 3 Warner & Swasey turret lathe to make bobbin guide spindle shaft as a repair order for a Swiss-uilt Schweiter winder. The measurements on this part are in the metric system

William Spratt, formerly assistant foreman and now assistant night superintendent, and Sarah DerSarkisian make the final Whitin inspection. The rolls must pass another inspection by the Dupont representatives before they are packed

But Dupont rolls are merely part of the work load of this busy department. Peter Baker, toolmaker and Whitin employee for 54 years, is making a grinding arbor on a bench lathe

Jobbing Department (*Continued*)



Above: William Labonte speeds Whitin service to the mills by finish-milling a casting from the Foundry. This piece is part of a small repair order

Below: William Boudreau, who has been here since March, 1926, drills an air hole in a boring tool

Kenney. When the work has been ground true it is sent to the Milling Job for another surface grinding to improve its appearance, and to insure that the two faces are parallel.

When the rolls return to the Jobbing Department they undergo an operation that never fails to fascinate visitors, for as a regular routine either Rita Vallee or Jackson Barksdale performs an operation that in theory can't be done! Using hand screw machines they round the corners, cut an oil groove, and face off a nut seat on work that has already been hardened. White-hot chips curl from the piece as the tungsten carbide cutting edge goes to work, yet neither the workpiece nor the tool is even warm to the hand.

Conrad Watier turns a stud for another small repair orde

Chrome plating of the rolls, a process that leaves th surface a dull gray color, is done outside the plant in Attle boro. Upon the return of the rolls to Department 425 Harold McCulloch grinds the working surface and trues the outer diameter of the flange to within almost .0001′ in one operation. As a final operation Gerbin Schotanus polishes the rolls and Sarah DerSarkisian inspects them for Whitin.

Dupont rolls are then parkerized in Department 431A. This is done not merely to improve the appearance but also as an inspection step. The parkerizing turns naked steel black but has no effect on chrome. Therefore, any blackened sections on the chromed surface of the roll indicates an imperfect plating job.

When the rolls return to the Jobbing Department they undergo a final inspection by the Dupont representatives before they are accepted. Two men, Mr. L. P. Carlson and Mr. S. Crowell, examine the rolls and the rolls are then packed on the job to lessen the possibility of damage in shipment.

There are larger jobs in the plant but there are probably few happier departments than this. Foreman "Hank" Hewett, who began work at Whitins in 1912, takes quiet pride in the fact that his workers "can make anything that is needed in a hurry." "Hank," who lives at 280 Church Street with his daughter, Sylvia, and his son-in-law, finds his relaxation at his farm and cottage on Webster Lake.

By the time the SPINDLE appears William Spratt, assistant foreman, will have been promoted to assistant night superintendent. His place will be filled by Acting Assistant Foreman Mitchell Nadolink, 457 Providence Road, Farnumsville, who has been employed here for 12 years. Mitchell, one of the job's two Yankee fans, enjoys "puttering around the house" where he lives with his wife, Mary, and their three children, Stephine, age 7; Mary Jane, age 3; and Paula, age 1½.

The senior employees in this department include: Peter Baker, 54 years; Lester Hewett, 40 years; Merrick Houghton, 29 years; William Boudreau, 27 years; William Labonte, 20 years.

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DECORATION DAY

The reverent custom of decorating the graves of the soldier dead of our Republic during the month of May was instituted in the South in the late 1860's, and soon thereafter was adopted by the northern states.

It is during May that flowers and blooms are at their loveliest in Dixie; on May 30, which became the official Memorial Day generally throughout the Union, flowers for decorating the graves are profuse in all the states.

The designation of "Decoration Day" is perhaps more widely used, for it has become customary to decorate all graves, civilian as well as military. But in almost every city and town on May 30, the Flag will be at half-staff, a bugler will sound Taps, and a grateful nation will pause to honor the memory of those who gave their lives to defend our freedom.

FRONT COVER: In observance of Decoration Day, May 30, our cover pictures the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Walking his post with measured tread, a sentry stands guard by the final resting place of one known but to God.

Whitin Personality

LET others climb the highest mountains and roam the farthest seas. Henry S. Crawford, employment manager, has not only proved that you can find the good things of life at home but in the process has made himself one of Whitinsville's best liked, useful, and most respected citizens.

Henry began life in Whitinsville on March 4, 1899, and after going through the Northbridge school system, attended the Woonsocket Commercial School, now Hill College. He worked for Wyman-Gordon from July, 1917, to May, 1918, then joined the Whitin Machine Works.

Beginning as a secretary in the superintendent's office, in 1919 Henry transferred to the Employment office where for four years he was Mr. Norton's secretary. He then was promoted to assistant employment manager, a position he held until April, 1944, when he became employment manager.

On April 22, 1933, he took as his bride Miss Alice E. Ferguson, of Whitinsville. They and their three children—Charlotte, age 19; Scott, age 16; and Cheryl Ann, age 9—have lived for the past year at 10 Woodland Street.

Henry enjoys sports. He bowls an average game, follows the trials and tribulations of the Red Sox with sympathetic interest, and has been for some years president of the now inactive Blackstone Valley League.

Mr. Crawford is active in church and civic affairs. He is an elder of the United Presbyterian Church, a member of the Northbridge School Committee for the past 12 years, and for the past 20 years a member of the Republican Town Committee. He is known for the active interest he takes in any worthy project.

These Honored Living

Arthur Johnson, who spent 14 months in Germany with the 28th Infantry Division, has traded his military task of laying mines and stretching barbed wire entanglements for his present job of repairing furniture in the Carpenter Shop. He was in the Armed Forces from February, 1951, to February, 1953. In commenting on Germany Arthur's only remark was, "You know, American girls are much prettier than German girls. The German women are much too stocky." His home is on Johnson Street, Uxbridge.

William Cassidy, group leader in No. 16 Crib of Department 465, has returned from his second hitch in the Army. During his first enlistment from 1945 through 1947 he served in France and Germany. This time he was in the Quartermaster Corps stationed at Camp Drum, New York, where he was steward in the Officers' Club. He now lives at the Blue Eagle. Said Bill, "It feels good to be back on the job again."

Theodore Nussbickel, surface grinder hand on the Tool Job night shift, is back on the job after serving almost two years in the U. S. Air Force. He entered the service in May, 1951, and was discharged in February, 1953. Theodore, a communications supervisor, was engaged in revamping radio and radar stations in Austin, Texas; Victorville, California; Symra, Tennessee; and Greenville, South Carolina. He now lives in Woonsocket, is married and has one son. Like our other veterans Ted said, "It feels good to be back on the job."

WHILE on Memorial Day we honor the brave men and women who died in the Armed Forces of our country we should not forget those who served and returned. The debt we owe them is great—the little we can say here can neither add to nor detract from the service they have rendered.

We are publishing the photographs of six veterans discharged since January 1, 1953, in tribute to them and to the many others whose pictures are not shown. We rejoice that they are back with us.

As a 60 mm. mortarman with the 23rd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Division, NORMAND GAUDET earned the Combat Infantry Badge, the United Nations ribbon, and the Korean Campaign ribbon with two battle stars. In uniform from March, 1951, to December, 1952, he now makes his home at 439 Elm Street, Woonsocket, Rhode Island. When asked how it felt to be home, he said, "It's all wonderful! The food tastes good, but best of all is to see people you know in the old familiar hang-outs." Normand is a planner in Department 452.

ALFRED PATENAUDE, Foundry, saw service with the Army Combat Engineers in Germany during his enlistment from January, 1951, to January, 1953. He now lives at 69 Jefferis Street, Woonsocket, with Mrs. Patenaude, the former Marion Hafliger, who became his bride on March 14 of this year. "It's hard to find words to express how it feels to be home again," said Al, "for everything is all right in every way."

NORMAND ST. PIERRE, formerly with the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg as a paratrooper, section leader, and 60 mm. mortarman, now unloads railroad cars in Department 406A. In the Army from November of 1949 to February of 1953, Normand lives at 66 West Street, Woonsocket. He plans to lose his bachelor status on June 27 when he will take as his bride Miss Lillian Lavallee, of Woonsocket. "If you want to quote me, say I'd rather be a civilian."

Whitin Is Host To Material Handling Society

This electric locomotive, the first in the country, was assembled at the Whitin Machine Works by Harry Haselden about 1891. It replaced the great oxen, or "Blue Bulls," in hauling freight from the Linwood freight yard

THE Whitin Machine Works was host to more than a hundred members of the New England Chapter of the American Material Handling Society on Tuesday, April 21. This chapter which is the largest component of the Society, incorporated in 1949, visited us to study the modern methods we use in handling materials.

This Society was formed as a result of the urgent conditions experienced in World War II and the sharpened focus on the need for more scientific handling of materials. The newer techniques devised by the Society proved so effective that many of the top firms felt it wise to continue the study of improved methods. The Society has grown until it now has 27 chapters and 3000 members in the United States and other countries.

The visitors assembled at the Whitinsville Golf Club at 1:30 and were carried by bus to the shop where two tours, one of the Shop and one of the Foundry, were arranged. The tours were followed by a social hour at the Whitinsville Golf Club and by a roast beef dinner at the Cafeteria. Following the dinner a short business meeting was conducted by Howard Dunford and Stuart Haywood, vice-presidents of the New England Chapter. Mr. P. B. Walker, maintenance engineer, was the speaker of the evening.

Members of the Society and representatives of the Whitin Machine Works enjoyed a roast beef dinner at the Cafeteria. At the head table, from the left: Warren Briggs, E. Kent Swift, Jr., Howard Teter, Erik Pierson, Howard Dunford, Stuart Haywood, Philip B. Walker, Horace Beaudet, Charles Grebert, John Cunningham, Thomas Tynan, and John H. Bolton, Jr. Frank N. Stone was absent when the picture was taken

In his talk on "Highlights of Material Handling at the Whitin Machine Works," Mr. Walker presented an interesting review of the history of this area from the days of the Nipmuc Indians to modern times, and traced the development and material handling methods of the Whitin Machine Works. He pointed out that we have reduced costs wherever possible by the use of the most advanced types of machinery and equipment for the transporting and handling of 15,000 metal barrels, 8000 kegs, 10,000 stacking pans, 400 platform skids, 800 box skids, 400 four-poster platforms, 350 double enders, 3000 standard pallets, and 1000 pallet storage boxes.

"The Foundry is the heart of the Whitin Plant," continued Mr. Walker. "It is here that the pig iron, coke, limestone, scrap, and other items become molten cast iron and make the thousands of parts that constitute the foundation of Whitin's machinery output." He told how it is possible for our Foundry to produce ten tons of metal castings an hour, and he described the various types of equipment used to transport and handle 800 tons of raw materials and manufactured products in the Foundry each day. He said the castings used by Whitin are mostly of high-grade cast iron which is melted in a series of five cupolas—three 40″ and two 36″ internal diameter. The three 40″ cupolas are used alternately to melt 80 to 85 tons of metal daily. The two others are available, if needed, to melt special types of iron.

Mr. Walker further stated, "Management cannot continue to increase wages and produce a profit in a free-enterprise country without using every means possible to handle efficiently the materials of production and the finished product. Without the help of an organization, such as the American Material Handling Society, of which you, our guests, are an integral part, improvement in handling methods would be very limited and advance slowly. It is when men get together and pool their experiences, their successes, and their failures that real progress can be made. Plant visitation can be a source of inspiration to every individual who is sincerely trying to look squarely at his own problems and find a solution for them."

At the conclusion of Mr. Walker's speech he was given a spontaneous rising vote of thanks by the members of the Society.

The committee in charge of the successful program included: Howard Dunford, chairman; P. B. Walker, J. C. Rankine, F. O. Rizer, and G. F. McRoberts. The conducted tours were under the guidance of: J. C. Rankine, Robert Stewart, F. O. Rizer, Harry Segal, Edwin Davis, Delwyn Barnes, Leonard Brock, Carlos Browning, Raymon Meader, Jacob DeJong, Donald Sangster, and Earle Hammond.

Top: Our visitors had their choice of tours through the Shop or Foundry. This group was guided through the Foundry by Raymon Meader and James C. Rankine

Center: Guided by Donald Sangster, a group on the Shop tour pause to examine a Yale Worksaver used to transport a heavy load of cast-iron brackets

Bottom: Both tours ended at the Research Division where these men were fascinated by the Whitin Model "J" Comber

Fishermen Pay Their Own Way

When the sun rose on April 11 it shone upon two crowds gathered at the Castle Hill Pool of the Whitinsville Fish and Game Club. On the banks were 300 hardy souls—more commonly called fishermen—who had risen before dawn to be there. In the waters were 2,156 *Salmo irideus*—more commonly called rainbow trout—pur-

Top: Seconds after the starting signal was given 300 baited hooks dangled before the hungry trout in the private pond of the Whitinsville Fish and Game Club. Even so few fishermen took their limit

Center: The members took 385 scrappy trout from the pool. Robert A. Spence, eight-year-old son of Gordon L. Spence of Department 485, holds the evidence that the younger generation can catch trout

Bottom: Some sportsmen favor glass rods and spinning reels while others stick to the reliable split bamboo rods and fly reels. Two out-of-town club members, Raymond "Bud" Richardson and James "Jim" Sangster, pose with State Representative Luke Driscoll

The story of stocked trout starts with the brood fish such as the big brook trout held by John Norrel, superintendent of the state fish hatchery at Sunderland

chased from the Berkley Hill Hatchery, Taunton, at a cost of $1,000.

Promptly at 7:00 a.m. fish and fishermen came together when Chairman Paul Mintoff, Metal Patterns Job, blew a lusty blast on a horn, lines whipped through the air, and hungry fish measuring from 11 to 15 inches lunged for the bait. The day's catch of 385 trout included the 16-inch prizewinner that Bill Todd and Horace Bassett had tagged "Mass 1047" and released.

The sportsmen who belong to the Whitinsville Fish and Game Club, like all sportsmen, are interested in improving the fishing in public as well as private waters. The 400 members of the club have in the past cooperated with the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Game in cooperative stocking programs.

Not commonly realized is that sportsmen not only pay their own way but bring to the merchants of the state an estimated five million dollars of trade each year. The 825,000 legal-length brook, brown, and rainbow trout released this year in Massachusetts waters at a cost of $200,000 cost the taxpayers not one red cent. Just as sportsmen paid for the trout bought from a private hatchery for the Castle Hill Pool, so sportsmen pay for the fish raised in state hatcheries by their purchase of licenses for hunting, fishing, and trapping and by their federal taxes they pay on arms and ammunition. About the only non-sportsmen who share in the expense are the fish and game law violators who are assessed fines!

Whether raised in private or public hatcheries, trout are propagated by the same skilled technique. The illustrations with this article, furnished through the cooperation of State Representative Luke Driscoll and Bryant Chaplin of the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Game, show the process as done at the six state hatcheries operated at Palmer, Montague, Sutton, Sunderland, Sandwich, and East Sandwich.

Trout are reared in hatcheries because under natural conditions few of the many thousand eggs deposited by each female survive long enough to become trout of legal length. Each hatchery maintains a stock of big healthy brood fish. At the proper season the mother trout is taken from the water, stripped of her eggs, and returned unharmed. The male's sperm is collected in the same unceremonious manner. After the sperm and eggs are mixed and are treated with special medicines, those eggs that are dead turn white. Dead eggs must be removed to prevent the poisoning of the healthy eggs.

Then the purest of cold spring water is allowed to flow

At the proper time the eggs and sperm are stripped from the fish, who are unharmed by the process and go back to produce thousands of more eggs

over the trays of fertile eggs. As the baby trout hatch they are swept by the current to a collecting bin where they are netted and transferred to the rearing pools where they gradually use up the food stored in the still attached yolk sack.

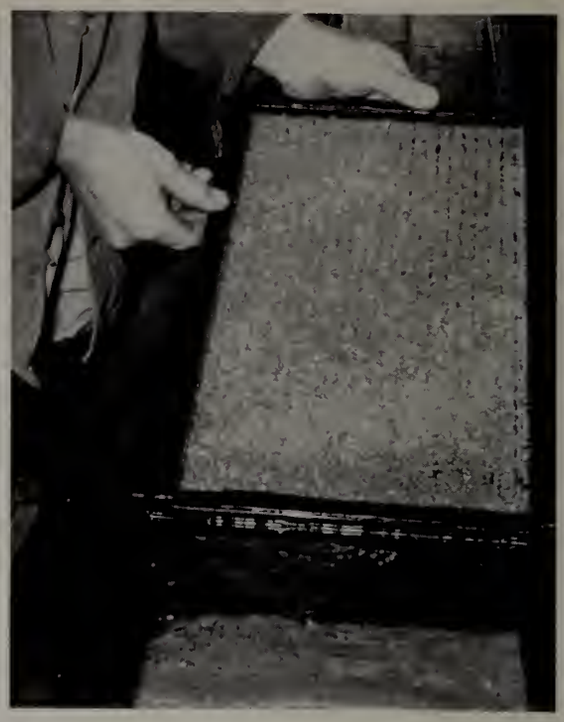
The men who operate the hatcheries have a full-time job. The pools must be filled with the purest of clear, cold, flowing water. Periodically the pools must be cleaned of the manure which settles to the bottom. Fish-eating birds and animals which might prey on the fingerlings must be kept from the pools, and a watch kept lest fungi or other diseases wipe out the growing trout.

All trout are released in accordance with known biological facts. If the state is no longer dumping trout in your favorite pond, say Carpenter Reservoir, it has a good reason. In order to survive trout must have water containing at least five parts per million of dissolved oxygen and a temperature that doesn't go above 70 degrees Fahrenheit. As from 40 per cent to 70 per cent of fish released are not caught the first season it is important during the critical month of August that at least 10 per cent of the water in the pond meet these conditions.

Until this was known the state was wasting trout by putting them in 17 ponds where there was no trout water. Of the 89 public ponds in the state suitable for trout 57 were stocked this year and the remainder will be stocked as soon as trout supplies become available. A survey on the Westfield River showed that 19 of every 20 trout caught were stocked fish.

Under the new policy brook trout—*Salvelinus fontinalis*—will be released as fingerlings and only in waters that have been reclaimed. Brown trout—*Salmo fario*—will be placed in ponds with unscreened outlets and murky water containing a high panfish population. Rainbow trout—*Salmo irideus*—will go into landlocked or screened outlet clear-water ponds. The best return comes from trout released several weeks after the season opens.

So for weeks after April 15 many a Massachusetts woman will be a fishing widow. One fortunate fellow, Bernard Boutiette, Grafton, who caught the prize-winning tagged rainbow, will be using the excellent fishing outfit donated as a prize by Superintendent John "Jack" Cunningham. There is little hope that the next generation of housewives will fare better, for the members of the Whitinsville Fish and Game Club are planning on stocking Lower Riley Pond with tasty panfish and reserving it for the use of Cub Scouts and other youngsters under the age of 10 years. They, too, will grow up to love the outdoors and be conservation minded, and they, too, will pay their own way.



The eggs are placed in trays under the purest of cold spring water. The eggs that have turned white are dead and must be removed

Above: After the eggs hatch the fry, or young fish, are netted and placed in rearing pools. The capacity of these pools at the Podick Springs section of the Sunderland State Fish Hatchery is 100,000 fish

Left: And there they go! This bucket full of tasty, fighting brown trout is part of the 825,000 trout released this spring by the Division of Fisheries and Game

Gym Teams Close Successful Season

By Harold Case

The basketball season is over and so is the swimming, so I guess I'll sum up both activities in this one column. The basketball games were played in three different leagues and took care of three age levels—the older fellows, high school boys and junior high boys. The former was the representative Gym team and had in the line-up Paul Sohigian, Jim Davidson, Norman Belval, Harry Brown, Tom Crawford, Peter Misakian, Ray Young, Ron Magill, Gus Larochelle, "Tiddo" Oliver, Art Roche, Poppo Shenian, Jack Ratcliffe, Andy Vierstra and Bob Stairs. Most of their games were played in the Mac-Ben League and at the end of the season the Gym ended up co-winners with Allan Corporation of Worcester with a 14 and 8 record. For their first-place position all the boys will receive jackets. I almost forgot to add that Adam Davidson had all the headaches as the coach and Allan Baldwin acted as manager, scorer and custodian of the uniforms.

The high school group was really both high and junior high boys and they played in a church league which had six teams entered: Christian Reform, Congos, Presbys, Upton Boys' Club, St. Pat's Atoms and St. Pat's Bombers. St. Pat's had so many boys out that it was decided to floor two teams in order that all the boys could play. Upton went through the first half undefeated but lost one of their mainstays for the second half and ended in runner-up spot the second half behind the St. Pat Atoms. Jack Ratcliffe's Atoms walked away with the first play-off game to the tune of 64–32 but in the second meeting they had to fight all the way to win 58–50 to take the trophy for the '53 season.

The junior high league went almost the same way with the Bombers breezing through the first half undefeated but winning only two out of six the second half. The Cowboys suffered only one defeat the second half and in a one-game play-off the Cowboys, believe it or not, overcame a 24-point deficit to tie the game at 50-all with five seconds remaining. Credit must be given the Bombers though because they played the overtime period with only three men and lost by only three points, 53–50, to put the most exciting climax to a junior high league play-off since this league was first started.

Swimming was more in the forefront this year than ever before mainly because a county league was organized last fall and a new class of events was inaugurated—National Age Group Championships. The local amphibians had a pretty fair year, the Senior Girls winning the county title and the Junior Boys and Girls ending up in second place.

Marilyn Brouwer was the local star this year, her second in competition. Besides swimming anchor on the winning New England Senior 300 Medley Relay team, Marilyn broke a 16-year-old record in the New England Junior 300 Individual Medley and a ten-year record in the New England 100 Yard Backstroke. She placed third in the New England Junior 200 Yard Breaststroke and either placed second or third in one other senior event, three state events and two National Age Group events. With the exception of breaststroke she holds title to all junior events, and is also a member of the County All-Star team. She unanimously was voted the outstanding individual medley swimmer in this area.

Sally Marker was also on the winning Senior Medley Relay team and by winning the Junior 200 Yard Breaststroke this year has now won all the junior titles, a feat accomplished by only a very few swimmers. Sally placed second or third in two senior events and one state event and is also a member of the County All-Star team. Anne Houghton, another member of the All-Star team, won a junior title in 100 Yard Breaststroke, was the third member of the winning senior relay team and gained a third-place spot in a state breaststroke event. Anne's sister, Nancy, was the fourth member of the All-Star team, thus giving the local girls four out of 12 places on the mythical championship team.

The small girls (11–13 years) did not compete in A.A.U. events as this being their first year they weren't ready. Next year they will step up into some stiff competition. Ruth Piper had the best record in this group, winning two second places in National Age Group events.

On April 18 an Award Dinner was held in Worcester at which time the All-Star teams were awarded small plaques and the local junior girls placed six out of 12 girls on this team. Making up this All-Star Junior team were Ruth Piper, Lada Hetherington, Marilyn McKee, Diane Jackman, Judy Leonard and Judy Simmons. With the start gained this year I look for an even better record next season.

"These flowers are pretty, but they dan't smell like the ones that graw outdoars," wonders little Lynne Barbora DeJordy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray J. DeJordy

"When the snow gaes, o cowboy naturally hankers for the wide open spaces." Tammy Farley is the son of Doug Farley

"I think the new spring fashians are so flattering to a girlish figure," says Joan Bromley. Her father, Wilfred Bromley, works on the Drawing Job

"Do you suppose the big bay [illegible] let me play baseball?" asks Cl[illegible] Stevens Roaf. Chester S. Roa[illegible] is employed in the Garage [illegible]

"A circus? With real lions ond tigers? We think you're teasing us." Robert A., age 3½, Barbara A., age 2, and Brian A., oge 8 months are the children of Gordon Milkman of the Garoge

"First fall, then winter and now spring. I wonder what summer will be like?" muses Cheryl F. Smith who was born September 30, 1952. Cheryl's father, Raymond Smith, works in Department 414

"You must remember that I'm only three months old and really haven't had much experience with spring as yet," apologizes Nareen Elizabeth Guertin, daughter of Roland Guertin of Department 450

"After I eat this coke I'll be ready ta talk about the seasons, but right now I'm very busy." This is David Boufford, year-old grandchild of Alfred Baufford of Department 426

"And while we're windaw shopping, do you think that hat would suit me?" Cathleen Marie asks her brother Stephen Thomos. They are the children of Ray and Shirley Burke

"Yau can say one thing for wint[illegible] That was the season when we h[illegible] our Christmas tree," chuckles Lin[illegible] Ann, daughter af Philip Halmes

"Will we really have a long vacation this summer?" daubts Marian Badnar, age 7. Marian is the daughter af Mike Bodnar of Department 432

yau fellows care to shaot game of marbles?" offers A. White, Jr. Everett White, works in Department 417

"Loak! I think that's a robin," exclaims Pamela Andersan, fifteen-month-old daughter of Gardon Anderson, Production Department

"Winters aren't bad if yau dress warmly," advises June Marie Calabella, daughter af Mario Calabello of Department 433

"Oh, but that sunshine feels gaod!" smiles Linda Agnes, 6-year-old daughter of Alfred Nichols of Department 432

"Winter ar spring—we always have fun!" agree Eugene, age 10, Rager, age 9, and Paulette, age 4½. These happy youngsters are the children of Gene Provoyeur of Department 432

"Spring? I'm ready and willing to try any new seasan," says Charles, the lively youngster of William and Lee Hobart. Bill works in the Engineering Department

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"Perhaps I shauld plant some petunias this year," muses little Blanche Roy, two-year-ald daughter of Joseph A. Roy af Department 410

"Do you suppose our dalls will freckle taa?" wander Patty Ann McDanald and Janet Hartley. Patty's grandfather is Alan McCrea and Janet's father is Gearge Hartley

l be very happy to see vacation time again," agree Patricia Anne Moorey, , and Nancy Louise Moorey, age 13. They are the children af Robert H. Maarey of Steel Fabricating

"Take it from me, if spring is really here, I'm gaing ta change these clathes far a bathing suit!" promises Richard A. Roy, 8-year-old son of Joseph A. Roy, Department 410

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

Personality of the Month: Born in Bradford, England, April 20, 1897, Alfred Sutcliffe moved to America in 1903. Here he and his family settled in South Barre, Mass. where he had his first schooling in America at Barre Plains. The school was located about two miles from his home and Al remembers, a trifle sourly, that he had to walk. He says, "There were no school buses then." They moved to Providence, R. I. in 1905 and there he continued his schooling until he decided to serve his time as a pattern maker. He signed a contract with Frank Goodwin (now Goodwin-Bradley) to serve four years. He still has that contract, and it is interesting to note the extremely low wages even for an apprentice, the "whereases and to whits" regarding overtime with no extra pay and the exceedingly long hours. When he completed his apprenticeship he went to Ohio where he worked at his trade in several cities. Among them were Cleveland, Toledo, Sandusky, Bryan and Lima. Then he returned to Providence to be married. After his marriage in 1920 he worked in Providence until he came to the Whitin Machine Works in January 1923 on a temporary basis. He has worked here ever since. In 1946 he was the first man on the job to work on plastic patterns. These were used instead of metal during the war when shortages of various metals made it necessary to substitute. In 1951 he was designated to check all patterns for accuracy before they are put into production. From 1923 until 1944 he lived in Whitinsville. Al then bought a summer home in Mendon. He and his family liked it so well after one summer that they moved over there permanently. He and his wife and youngest daughter, June, live there now. He has two married daughters, and three grandchildren—all boys. He claims that spoiling them is his latest hobby. Al recently completed a greenhouse where he intends to experiment with roses. For the past several years gardening has been his big hobby and roses the main interest. He has supplied proof of his ability to garden to many of his friends and co-workers. He has always had an interest in photography. Radio was another of his hobbies. At one point in his varied career he worked on radios extensively, being associated with H. G. Benoit of Whitinsville. He repaired and rebuilt them in his spare time. Another one of his outside interests was building bird cages. His wife started raising canaries, s not to be outdone, Al began building bi cages. A friend of his, Joe Bowyer, got i terested in the procedure and joined him i the venture. Al eventually sold out an Mr. Bowyer is still building bird cages.

Speculation has it that all the help tendere Ernest Kroll is not without hope of rewar At least four unsolicited fellow-workers wer seen helping "Dagwood" move a patter board recently. "We wonder" if an invita tion to "Dagwood's" impending wedding i the reward sought. . . . Ralph Houghton' current mail from Ralph, Jr., is arrivin from Korea. . . . Many happy returns t Francis Joslin, Ralph Houghton, and Jame Ferguson. They all celebrate May birthdays

The local branch of the Pattern Makers League held a joint business meeting an bean supper. No information was forthcoming regarding the business meeting but th bean supper was a huge success. Plenty t eat and drink and everyone was merry. . . . Congratulations to Clarence Visser who received his 20-year pin from Mr. J. H. Cunningham.

If the Apprentice Team doesn't win the Bowling League championship this year there'll be one unhappy apprentice—Bob Shaw. He was assigned the task of making bases for the individual award trophy and we understand that he matched one of them to the furniture of his own parlor. At this point, the Apprentices have a good chance of winning the second half but they would still have to roll off with the winners of the first half, the Main Office.

What's the matter, boys, no pictures this month? Let's keep them rolling in.

The Atoms, St. Patrick's Church basketball team, are the 1953 winners of the Whitin Community Association Church League. Front row, from the left: Thomas Woodcome, Paul Kellaher, James Mellor, and John Roche. Back row, from the left: Coach Jack Ratcliffe, Jack Barry, Paul Malkasian, Maurice Chevert, Philip Jackman, and John Bent

METAL PATTERNS

by William Prior

Personality of the Month: Leon G. Garabedian, another veteran employee of this department, was born in Armenia in 1895, came to this country at the age of 17 in 1912, and began work at Whitin in June 1915 in the Cast Iron Room. He later worked for several years on the Roll Job, then came to the Metal Patterns Job where he is now a machine repairman, second class. A few years after entering this country Leon enlisted in the French Army and fought as a member of the Foreign Legion from 1917–1920. While in this country he has made his home in Whitinsville, where he now owns his home on "D" Street. Leon's hobbies are reading and gardening. He and Mrs. Garabedian have a family of six, three boys and three girls.

This and That—After days of bickering, Joe Prior finally sold his hunting dog to Bob Caston, and then told Bob he'd bought a lemon. Bob claims that the "poor dog has lived a double life," and that on opening day was bringing home horned pout. Joe claims that fish are the only game the dog will hunt. . . . The boys sent John Sohigian a basket of fruit and their wishes for a rapid recovery. He has been out for several weeks.

Ed Benoit has had his wife's kitchen redecorated—new cupboards, modern sink, and

When Adolph Roy retired on March 27 after 52 years in the Shop he received a purse from his associates in Department 429. William Steele, Divisional Superintendent, made the presentation

water heater. . . . Former Seabee Bob Caston is now the co-owner of the rowboat "Big Mo II." . . . Bernard DeVries is looking for a lot for his new home.

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

Alton Ramsay left recently to go into the Army. . . . Adolph Roy retired recently after working in the Shop since April, 1900. . . . Bert Levitre is the happy owner of a new "Olds." . . . Get-well wishes go to Sadie Clossen and John Campbell who are out on sick leave. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Freeman who celebrated their 25th anniversary May 5, and to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Malhoit who celebrate their 33rd on May 23.

CORE ROOM

by Francis Shugrue

Tom Halacy is now sporting a 1949 Chevrolet. Business must be good for Tom, what with delivering fruit and vegetables and picking the horses in his spare time. Tom, incidentally, is the proud father of a new son. . . . A sad note must be injected in here at this time. Our old friend William (Sonny) O'Donnell died April 13 after a long illness. Sonny was reported to be in the Veterans Hospital in the April issue of the SPINDLE. After his discharge from the hospital he came back to work. . . . Jack Martin paid us a visit in the Room recently. Jack, I am happy to report, is feeling much better after his two trips to the hospital for a series of operations. . . . On Wednesday, April 15, the Steak Eaters Club of the Core Room held their second steak supper of the season. The supper was held at the N.V. Cafe in North Uxbridge and was a huge success. Following the supper Zeigi Buczyneski gave a lecture, complete with demonstrations, on the correct way to play cards. Varkis Asadoorian and James Benjamin are to be congratulated on the fine arrangements of this social affair.

Vaughn Harding is having a hard time this spring trying to ready his boats and boathouse for the fishing season on Meadow Pond. The high waters of the pond and the ever-falling rain have done a great deal of damage to his boathouse wharf. Vaughn vows he will be ready. . . . Ovilla Brooks is now in the chicken business. . . . Bill Ridley is shopping around for a horse to ride herd on the two heifers he is raising at his place in North Uxbridge.

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

Personality: Charles Coombs, our genial supervisor of ring turning, has consented to be our Personality for this Month. "Oh no, nothing doing" was his first remark, but we got the following data from him. Born in Tiverton, R. I., 51 years ago, he has been with the Shop 34 years in July. He lives at 20 Border Street in town at present, but is contemplating a new home on Providence Road, Linwood, in the near future. He married Mary Elizabeth Hemenway and has two daughters, Fern of the Electrical Department office, and Audrey, married, who has a son a year old. This makes a grandpa of Charlie. He drives a Chevrolet when not working and spends many happy hours in the countryside. His major hobby is repairing cars and maybe for relaxation riding around the country, followed by Jim Gusney (when he was able). We understand Charlie has quite a machine shop in his cellar.

We regret to report at this writing that two of Theresa Creasia's small sons were injured when a pressure cooker blew up in her home recently. We wish them a speedy recovery. Louis, four and a half years, who just returned from the hospital is okay; Jimmie, three years, is still in Children's Hospital, Boston.

While on the subject, we have four other fellow workers who could use some good health—Jim Gusney, Joe Morin, Joe Turgeon, and Ann Gniadek. How about absorbing some of our "get-well" wishes and dropping around again? . . . The Ring Job should never lose sight of the fact that its foreman is a well-known baritone in "these here parts." He appears with the Whitin Male Glee Club, the Blackstone Valley Choraleers of which he is the leading baritone, and his church choir. When you start professionally, Joe, we will get you on the "Talent Scouts." . . . The fishing season opened last month. Fisherman Witek didn't do so bad for himself at Riley's Pond on April 11. He caught four trout (he said). . . . A news item of interest to all Ring Jobbers past and present is the wedding of Nancy Small, which took place April 18. We wish her health, wealth, and happiness in her new adventure. Nancy started her employment at the Whitin Machine Works on the Ring Job.

CREELS, PAINT, AND TIN JOBS

by Harold Ingham

Department 413 had an enjoyable party at the Dudley Country Club April 14. Everyone had a fine time. Speeches were given by Edward Horan and Eugene Picard—they were the best yet. . . . Patrick Britt seems to enjoy his new job. He recently transferred from the Box Job. . . . Claude Bolduc, going around with a big smile, has moved into his new home on Providence Road. Brother Marc of the same job has high hopes soon. . . . First grandchild to Anthony Tomazewski was born April 10.

Hear about John Rumonski getting a bill from New York for $1,250.00. Good thing he owns a club coupe. He was being sued for smashing a gas pump with a large truck March 10. John doesn't own a truck.

Department 452: A surprise visit to Albert Lucier and family was made by their son who is stationed with the Air Force in South Carolina. . . . One of these days Joe Brooks will be eating pigeon pie. He has been seen giving corn to two strange wild birds around his home. . . . What a man this Jack-of-all-trades is—Rosario Lacombe—better known as "Bon Homme." He cleans off the benches every morning, does all the trucking, knows how to use a broom, mixes all the paint, runs all the errands, and in fact he's always there when you need him. Keep up the good work, boy! . . . Anybody ever listen to Alphege Lozier's tall tales? It seems that during the war when camel or badger hair was scarce, horse-hair paint brushes were the only thing available. One time when Al was painting, someone yelled "whoa" and believe it or not, the brush stopped. . . . Our Assistant Foreman George Dykstra is settled in his

new home and anyone wishing to call on him may do so. . . . Valmore Yargeau can't seem to get into his new home fast enough. It is two-thirds finished. He says before he does any fishing or vacationing he will complete it! "Finish first and then play" is his motto. . . . It seems the Paint Job party next month is almost settled. The voting so far is unanimous for deep-sea fishing. The clambake is running far behind.

Adelaide Lemay and Al St. Hillaire are going around with their noses in the air these days. It seems that they've got themselves the latest model spray booth with water drops. . . Pardon me! Attention, Joseph Jussaume: The whole Paint Job is asking about you. Hurry up and get well. Joe was in an automobile accident last summer.

PICKER AND DRAWING DEPARTMENT

by Grace Bedrosian

Our Personality of the Month is Arthur Chabot who was born in Linwood, started in public schools in Linwood and continued through Sacred Heart College in Woonsocket, R. I. where he had moved when eight years old. After working at a shuttle shop in Woonsocket, Arthur came to Whitin in 1916. During his 37 years of service here, he has worked on the Drawing Job, Small Card Parts, Spinning Floor, and the Picker Job, where, for the past 20 years, he has been employed as a lathe operator cutting condenser rolls. Arthur and his wife, the former Mary LaCroix whom he married in 1926, presently reside on Main Street in Linwood with their two sons, Edgar and Albert. Nothing pleases Arthur more than spending his spare time playing cribbage.

Pfc. Cosmo "Mim" Valente, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Valente of 7 Free Street, Milford, has been named an honor graduate of the Band Training Course conducted by the 9th Infantry Division Band at Fort Dix, N. J. A graduate of Boston University College of Music, he was active, prior to entering the Service, with the Jessie Smith orchestra from Boston which has been appearing at the King Philip Ballroom in Wrentham, Mass. Pfc. Valente was formerly employed at the Linwood Division of Whitin, Department 451, in 1948. His father, Raymond Valente, is employed on Department 421. He is married to the former Hazel Lancisi of Milford and will probably return to his former position as Supervisor of Music in the Marlborough schools.

Members of the Picker Department Benefit Club with their families and friends spent an evening of dining and dancing at the Beverly Club in Bellingham on Saturday, March 28. There were 42 persons present and from all reports the delicious fried chicken, served family style, and the dancing and the music of Larry Carroll's orchestra, provided a very enjoyable evening. Many thanks go to the club's committee, namely, Sid Miedema, Clarence Peterson, and Aime Coutoure. The capability of this committee was added to by the recent election of Mary Kostka and James Glennon.

The Southern Massachusetts Little League has re-appointed Bernell "Lefty" Jordan, of Department 421, as manager of the Millerville Little League team. In case of queries as to where Millerville is—it's East Blackstone. Last season, which was the team's first year in the League, ended with 7 wins and 11 losses. Six games were lost to the Millville team. "Lefty" is out to get back the six bottles of milk he had to pay off to Jimmy Glennon, ardent Millville fan, after each game lost to Millville.

Members of Department 446 wish the best of luck to Ronald Magill who enlisted in the Air Force. Ronald left on April 14 to report to Sampson Air Base in Geneva, N. Y.

Congratulations are in order for Mary and Paul Kostka who celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary on May 4. Mary is a bench inspector on 421. Her husband, Paul, who is a well-known fishing and hunting enthusiast, was recently elected president of the Whitinsville Striper Club. They reside in their newly remodeled home on Edgemere Avenue with their two sons, Robert and David.

John Skerry claims that the can of glue he accidentally spilled so very close to Bob Cotnoir's lunch box wasn't the reason that Bob's ham sandwiches tasted like tuna. Sounds rather fishy, John! . . . We extend a warm welcome to Maurice Murray, formerly of Crib No. 15, who is now supervisor of Crib No. 12; to Mary Baran, formerly of Crib No. 5, now in Crib No. 12; and to William Cassidy, now in Crib No. 16. . . . Leonard MalBoeuf left Department 421 to accept a job with the Pawtucket area distributors for the Ruppert Brewing Company of New York. Good luck, Leonard!

The members of the Picker Department Benefit Club enjoyed an evening's relaxation at the Beverly Club, Bellingham, on March 28

Raymond Fitton, right, Grinder Job Personality, his father, and niece take in the scenery at Point Judith

GRINDER JOB

by Virginia Burke

Personality: Raymond Fitton, our Personality of the Month, was born in North Attleboro, Mass., September 28, 1911. When quite young, he moved to Woonsocket where he attended school. He also lived in Whitinsville a short while, but now makes his home in Worcester. Ray served his apprenticeship at the Taft Pierce Company in Woonsocket, then came to the Whitin Machine Works, September 15, 1933, on the Grinder Job. In 1935 he went to the Tool Job where he worked for 12 years running an internal grinder, also ground plugs, and gauges for magneto job on cylinder grinder during the war. He returned to the Grinder Job, where Ray now runs a cylindrical grinder.

While in Woonsocket, Ray belonged to the National Guard, Company D, 118 Engineer Combat, and was with the first group that attended Pine Camp, N. Y., for companies in the East. Ray played both basketball and baseball at the Gym for the Shop before the war. His favorite hobby is spending summers at Point Judith, R. I., where he enjoys boating and quahogging. Ray is a great guy and there never is a dull moment when he is around.

Fred Muse, the Roving Small Parts Personality of the Month, his daughter Lorraine, and his son-in-law Leo Courteau, display a string of pout and perch caught in New Hampshire. Fred is at the right

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gauvin celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary on April 19. Congratulations and many more happy years. . . . Mrs. Kathryn Lennox has joined the office force and we trust she enjoys her stay with us. . . . We hear that one of our grinders recently used a clothesline as a "static line," then "bailed out," shouting on his way down only to end up with a bruised knee; now our friend insists staircases do serve a good purpose. . . . Between the arguments on weather, politics and the coming baseball season, fishing holds the foremost place and the stories certainly make us all want to be fishermen. Good luck to all.

ROVING SMALL PARTS, ROVING ERECTING AND SCRAPERS

by Mary Hugley

Personality of the Month: Fred Muse, lathe hand working on bolsters, was born and went to school in Gloucester, Mass. He and Mrs. Muse, the former Eva Boudreau, were married in North Uxbridge on June 18, 1916, and now live at 7 North Main Street, Whitinsville. They have a son, a daughter, and two grandchildren of whom they are very proud. Fred has worked in the Shop for 38 years. Before that he was employed for three years by James Whitin of North Uxbridge as a saddle maker. Known as one of the oldest and best gardeners in the Whitin Garden Club, he also enjoys fishing as a secondary hobby.

It is nice to see Edward Dennet back at work after his stay in the hospital. . . . We welcome Hazel O'Rourke as our new timekeeper. . . . Roger Durand, who bruised his small toe by dropping a bolster on his foot, is limping these days. . . . Larry Gonsorcik and his wife were tendered a housewarming party as a surprise on March 28. They were presented with a lamp and a mahogany table. . . . Del Ramsey was the director of a play given in East Douglas on Easter Monday. It went off fine even though one of the cast was taken to the hospital at the last minute. Del found a replacement. . . . Daniel Gonlag recently became the owner of a 21-inch television set. . . . Harry and Mrs. Smith attended the wedding of their son in Upton on April 18. . . . We are sorry to lose Annie DeYoung who has been transferred to Department 436. . . . April birthday greetings to Del Ramsey, who was pleasantly surprised by receiving a nice cake from Mrs. Lester Murray. His friends on the Job enjoyed the cake greatly.

SPINNING FLOOR, CARD ERECTING, AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

Members of our Get-Together Club had a very enjoyable evening April 16 at the Colonial Club in Webster. At 50 cents per week it wouldn't take too much to catch up on the next affair, anyone is welcome to join. Rules: Regular payment to Bob Couture, majority rules on all decisions, and everything conducted on a fair and clean basis. Next affair has not been decided on. Another supper, another ball game, or both, we don't know as yet. Just get the money in and no complaints, please!

Dennis Cournoyer reported a very nice trip to Canada, got there around sugaring-off time, too. He brought back a gallon of it and I hope he enjoys it. He talks about it, but I wouldn't know just how good it is. Not even a sample. A sample would be timely because at this writing he and Harry Cornell are at sword's edge over the Bruins and Canadiens. . . . Wilford Mills has also acquired a new Pontiac. The "Rebel," as he is better known among the men, is a native of North Carolina, lives in Woonsocket and is just dying to get his coon dog out for a little hunting during vacation.

Henry Ebbeling, retired inspector, came in the other day to see us. He had just returned from a trip to California, via Panama Canal by first class freighter. Interesting note I thought was the fact that every boat going through the locks, which are under United States Government contract, pays a fee of $7500. . . . How fast can things move? Chris Kane, Jr., one of our road men, left Worcester on a Saturday morning at 11:00 and reported for work in a South American mill the following Monday morning.

Well, so much pessimism has been heard around where I work about business conditions, let me quote from *Worcester Telegram*, April 19, 1953—"Textile men have no fear of peace slump." Herman Goodman, new chairman of Robbins Mills, Inc. a leading weaver of rayon fabrics, says "peace stability in family life means more things, such as curtains, sheets and pillow cases." Better values and lower costs through technological advances (improved machines, etc.) and a continued growth in population are the optimists' hopes in that ever-expanding consumer market.

PLANERS AND BOLTS

by Mel Henry and Ray Woodcome

We are all happy to hear that Tom Wallace, who retired after 50 years' service at Whitin, has improved in health. Tom and Mrs. Wallace recently enjoyed a family get-together at the home of their son, Edward, in Plummers Park, in celebration of their golden wedding anniversary. . . . Ernie Paxon tells us he is leaving June 5 to visit his father in Wakefield, Yorkshire, England, where he was born. He will fly back on July 9 and this will be his first visit home in 26 years. . . . Glad to hear Wes Ellis is better and will be returning soon. . . . Ralph Walley has returned to the day shift. He will be a welcome addition to the softball team. . . . General Toohey has again taken command of 406A. Bill Spencer is returning to 406. . . . George Corey has retired after many years of service. We wish him the best of luck and good health.

MYSTERY PHOTO—Charlie Hookstra, assistant foreman in the Card Cylinder Department, was the person to identify in April. Although the mailman on the left has never been associated with the Shop, he is extremely well known throughout the community. We thought you would enjoy seeing this picture of him as he started on his first trip out of the Post Office on April 1, 1912

TIN CYLINDER JOB

by Wilbur Baird

Once again we wish Al Cupka good luck in the time he will be spending these next few weeks helping the gang at Department 423. Our department is on a four-day week schedule; Department 423 is working a 55-hour week. We are sure Fred Robertson will soon be back on a 40-hour week schedule, now that Al is to work with him for a few weeks. . . . We welcome back our sweeper, J. Bedard, who has been out on sick leave three months. During his absence his duties were taken over by Herve Vachon. We wish Hervey well on his new assignment. . . . Now we know why the Drive-In Theater in Uxbridge draws so many girls and women. It's because Earl Martinson (our Clark Gable) is the cop on the beat.

We understand that we have a very good handyman working in our department. He does a good job on baking cakes. How about bringing in a few samples? We understand his wife, Mrs. Tom Valis, is having a speedy recovery from her recent illness due to Tom's cooking.

We wish Al Ballou of Crib No. 23 a speedy recovery from his injuries suffered in an automobile accident. We miss seeing him trucking the cylinder heads from Crib No. 23 to Department 450, and hope he will soon be able to return to work.

This month we would like to mention two of the guards stationed at the Linwood Mill, Charles VandenAkker and Peter Hoekstra.

Charles VandenAkker, known as "Charlie," was born in Whitinsville and attended local schools. He worked for a while on his brother's farm, then started to work for Whitin on July 7, 1949, as a guard. He married Miss Dorothy Nyeholt of Whitinsville. They now have two children: Arlene, who is now attending a hairdressing school in Worcester, and Maynard, who is a student at Northbridge Junior High School. Charlie's hobby is fishing.

Peter Hoekstra was born in Sutton on January 1, 1898 and attended Northbridge and Uxbridge schools. "Pete" worked for A. F. Whitin in the greenhouse and also worked in the Paul Whitin Mfg. Co., and for the Town of Northbridge for 15 years. He started in the Whitin Machine Works working for George Gill on the Tool Job. He is married to the former Trease Nyeholt, and they now have seven children. Pete's hobbies are hunting, fishing and gardening.

Peter Hoekstra, Linwood Division guard, is the father of seven children

Cora Barsamian took fourth prize in the Telegram and Gazette Bowling Tournament

ROLL AND BRUSH JOB

by Louise Sohigian

We were very sorry to hear that Albert Ballou and his fiancée were seriously injured in an automobile accident in Merrimac, Mass. They are both recuperating in the hospital and we wish them a speedy recovery.

Congratulations to Cora Barsamian who took 4th prize in the Telegram and Gazette bowling tournament. This will be added to the many trophies which she has achieved.

The girls from Department 451 attended a bridal shower on Mary Minnihan at the home of Mrs. D'Alfonso in North Uxbridge. . . . Birthday candles were lit up in April for Lil Scott, Ann Mantell, Sam Gagne, Widgie Esposito and Gladys Hickey.

CHUCK JOB AND AUTOMATICS

by Dot Antoian

We welcome the following new men to the department: Ray Lalumiere, Jr., inspector; Howard Hill from Upton; George Arees from Woonsocket; Charles Wayman, Jr. from Webster, who is on the night shift, all chuck operators; and Noe Tousignant from Woonsocket, a cross slide operator. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. George Mills (Peggy Rice) who celebrated their 2nd anniversary April 14. Peg and George are the parents of a son, Stephen, 14 months old. . . . Henrietta Hoogendyk and Harry Czerkowicz answered the call for blood donors when the Red Cross Bloodmobile came to town April 21. . . . Get-well wishes are extended to Arthur Litke, assistant to Jake DeJong, who recently underwent a second foot operation. Art is now resting at home, and we hope he will return to work very shortly.

Softball season has once again captured the spotlight and the department is entering a team in the competition. Eddie Valk has taken over the reins of the club and will be supported by Doug Farley, Tony Peroni, Walt Krupski, Eddie Forsythe, Ted Cormier, Eddie Rabitor, Ray Achorn, Howard Hill, "Shorty" Picard, Bob Pelletier, and Bob Mowry. The team is really enthusiastic this year and we hope it has a good season. Of course, after the first practice session there were plenty of creaking joints and aching muscles, but a bottle of alcohol (for external use, that is) took care of everything.

John Kearns, former inspector, is stationed with the Army at Fort Devens. We just received a letter from Johnny, and you can be certain he'd enjoy hearing from all of you. . . . Joe Connors, also a former inspector, is now with the Air Force. Joe and five of his friends enlisted in the Service together. . . . Francis Snay, who is with the Army ordnance, stopped in to visit us recently. Fran was stationed at Aberdeen but is now going overseas. Best of luck to you, Fran, and drop us a line once in a while.

We wish a speedy recovery to Pete Ledoux and Howard Hill who have been on the sick list. . . . John Mullen, Jack Gilchrist, Len Hinchcliffe and Mike Courtemanche are planning a fishing trip to the Cape in the very near future. Don't know how many fish they'll catch, but there certainly will be plenty of fish stories, that's for sure.

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREWS

by Bill Scanlon

Arthur Latourelle caught his limit of trout opening day. He works for Ernest Prunier who is quite a fisherman himself. How could Arthur go wrong under such tutelage? . . . Harold Buxton had to be satisfied with four trout even though he owns his own pond in Douglas. . . . Frank Turner is back after a brief illness. He is the man who plows the gardens. This year, according to Frank, the plowing will be two weeks behind schedule because of the weather. . . . John O'Neil, of Erle Simmons' department, has returned to work after a brief illness. . . . We welcome Clarence Roy, mechanic, to the Whitin Garage force.

Charles VandenAkker, a guard stationed at the Linwood Division, enjoys fishing when off duty

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

Through an unintentional oversight on the part of the Bolster Job office, the name of Edward Bibeau was omitted from the list of veteran employees on the Bolster Job printed in the last issue of the SPINDLE. Ed has been in the employ of the Whitin Machine Works for 38 years and started on the Bolster Job 33 years ago. He is to the job as an "old pro" is to a baseball team. Ed will serve three weeks on jury duty starting May 11.

A welcome back to Donald Kusiak and Gerard Boulanger who have just completed their tour of duty in the Service. . . . Dick Schuyler was so angry at the fact that Charlie Kheboian was the only one capable of raising and lowering the window in his car that he went out and bought himself a newer model "Olds." . . . Henry Gervais told us about a car he had that would start up only when the sun came up. I'm afraid that it would have been idle quite a bit these last two months. . . . A welcome to Ed Rumse, our new time clerk.

Nite Shift News: Best wishes to Ray Fortier, a set-up man who has left for California. . . . Here is a novel way to drive a car, but one I wouldn't advise doing often. L. Duhamel of Douglas recently backed all the way home from Woonsocket because he couldn't get the car to go forward.

WHITIN MALE GLEE CLUB IN SPRING CONCERT

The Whitin Male Glee Club, conducted by C. Alexander Peloquin, will present a spring concert in the Whitinsville Town Hall at 8:00 p.m., May 18. Two pianos, a harp, and a bass viol will accompany the Glee Club.

PROGRAM

National Anthem	
Thanks Be to Thee	*Handel*
Pilgrims Chorus	*Wagner*
Swing Low	*Negro Spiritual*
I Got Shoes	*Negro Spiritual*
Pinafore (five selections)	*Gilbert and Sullivan*

INTERMISSION

Two Selections by the Harpist	
The Galway Pipers	*Irish*
Oh Susanna	*Foster*
Soon Ah Will Be Done	*Negro Spiritual*
Dry Bones	*Waring*
Younger Than Springtime	*Rodgers and Hammerstein*
Oklahoma (five selections)	*Rodgers and Hammerstein*

ROLL JOB

by John Onanian

Personality of the Month: Wilfred Henault, born in Grosvenordale, Conn., came to Whitinsville with his parents at the age of six months. After attending the local schools, he worked for a while in Connecticut, and then began work on the Roll Job in 1928. Known as one of our better grinder hands, he has worked under four foremen on this job. Wilfred and Mrs. Henault, the former Lydia Beaudoin, were married in Whitinsville on June 6, 1932. They have a family of six children which includes two sets of twins. He enjoys fishing, gardening, and is an ardent baseball fan. We are glad to see him back on the job after his recent illness during which he underwent a major operation.

Congratulations to John Rutana who received his 40-year service pin from Mr. Bolton, to Edward Trasavage who received his 25-year pin from Mr. Sangster, and to Marion Isabelle, inspector, who received her 10-year pin. . . . We recently saw Francis Jacobs who has returned from Germany and has been discharged from the Service. He looked well. . . . John Baker's son, John, Jr., is really kept on the go while in the Service. Attached to Rapid City Air Force Base, he travels far and wide via "B36." . . . We wish Henry F. Larochelle the best of luck and a safe return. He left recently to join the Air Force.

STEEL FABRICATING AND CUTTING-OFF JOB

by Marion Metcalf

Our smiling Personality for this Month is Herman Hathaway, who was born in North Uxbridge on May 20, 1923. He attended the public schools of Uxbridge and has spent most of his time in that community. His first job was in the Stanley Woolen Mills of Uxbridge but he left there in 1942 when he joined the armed services for three years. While Herman was overseas he met Miss Irene Mesnick of Vienna, Austria, who finally became Mrs. Hathaway after joining him here in the spring of 1948. They are the proud parents of two fine boys, George M., who is four years old, and Garrick H., who is

Foreman Eino Johnson presented Richard Sanderson with a purse when he retired on March 27 after working here since April 1, 1900. The gift came from Mr. Sanderson's fellow workers in Department 411

From top to bottom: David Greene, Foundry, caught the five-fish limit at the opening of the season at the Fish and Game Club Pond. Roland J. Heroux, holds the evidence he did catch one fish. While she'd rather catch Lake Sunapee salmon, Peggy Sweeney trys for a trout in Riley's Pond. We are not sure if the young man was putting a worm on or turning thumbs down on Leo Moyen's fishing

three years old. Herman's big ambition is to become a successful dairy farmer and he has a pretty good start on his farm on Chocalog Road in South Uxbridge. His hobbies are hunting and fishing and he is commander of V.F.W. Post 1385 of Uxbridge.

Spring cleaning means inside and out to some folks, so George Castelli decided to give his house a new coat of shingles—even though they weren't exactly what he wanted. This is a warning, folks, don't sign anything just to get rid of a salesman. Better luck next time, George. . . . Mike Yozura recently got very ambitious and moved from the first-floor apartment he was living in to a fourth-floor flat. Is this a short-cut to heaven, Mike? . . . Mike Bodnar was seen mowing the lawn in front of his new home in Cumberland Hill, R.I. a few weeks ago. The amusing part is that the house won't be occupied for a week or so. Good luck and lots of happiness to you and Mrs. Bodnar in your new home, Mike. . . . Chet Bonczek is wondering where he is going to build his new mansion. He prefers the country but the Mrs. prefers to be in town. Three guesses, folks. . . . Clarence Roy, one of our able welders, has joined the staff of mechanics at the Shop Garage. Good luck, Clarence. . . . We were also sorry to lose a very good grinder, Robert Courteau, and Robert Miller of the Tool Crib. . . . We welcome Gloria La-Roche back to 410 office.

Alice Conway of Wage Standards has our best wishes in her role as housewife. We miss her cheery "good morning" and smile. . . . Many of you have been admiring a new ranch-type home with the brick front ends, on Providence Road, Northbridge. We hope that Emil Aussant of Department 410 and his family will all have many happy years in this, their new home. . . . Richard Flinton of Douglas was welcomed back to 432 recently after receiving his discharge from the armed services. . . . Our congratulations go to Ernest Lange, who received his 5-year service pin.

A meeting of the 410–432 Buffoon Club was held at 12:30 on April 20 and the following officers were elected by the members present: President, Harold Kelliher; vice-president, George Vacher; treasurer, Bernard Gervais; secretary, Ernest Lange. The new officers were instructed to make arrangements for the next party. Time and place will be announced later.

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

The Foundry Personality for this Month is Albert Thibeault, who was born June 8, 1915 in Three Rivers, Canada. Al attended school there and in Uxbridge, including Uxbridge High School. On October 9, 1944 he married the former Lucille Houle, who was born and educated in Whitinsville. They have a son, Alan, born February 18, 1948.

Al served four years with the Air Transport Command during the last war, serving in both the European and Pacific Theaters of Operation. He has worked in Whitin Machine Works for 13 years, and he lists all sports as his hobbies.

On March 27, Richard Modig, an employee in the Foundry for 32 years, retired. Dick, as he is known to his many friends, was born in Sweden on February 7, 1884, and received his education there. Dick married Albertina Bengeson in 1912, and they make their home at 13 Garden Street, Uxbridge, Mass. A sum of money from his associates was presented to him by Mr. Robert C. Walker, cupola foreman.

We want to wish you the best of health and luck in your retirement. May you enjoy many, many pleasant years. Special mention must be made of George L. Morande, who was chairman of the collection, and the many who assisted him in making the presentation such a success.

This year we have a softball team that will be hard to beat. As a matter of fact, this is our winning team! It will be under the management of Ray Drainville and Assistant Manager Justin Forcier. Mention of Joe Guidi who is the organizer and over-all supervisor of the team must be made. The following are the men who will represent the Foundry this year on the baseball diamond: Raymond Drainville, Justin Forcier, Joseph Guidi, Thomas Melia, Arthur Bessett, Normand Tessier, Richard Lachapelle, Rocco Merolli, Albert Thibeault, Alfonso Chattman, Phillip Carlos, Jerome Rodman, George Aspinwall, Raymond Turgeon, and Edgar Thibeault. Now, I ask you fellows: "Can we go wrong with a lineup like that?"

Virginia Applegate John, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Applegate, is home on a six-month leave after serving many years as a missionary in India. Ben Applegate, molder in the Foundry for 33 years, informs us that Virginia was born May 22, 1923 in Whitinsville, Mass. She attended school in Whitinsville and graduated from Northbridge High School. She also graduated from the Providence Bible Institute and received an A.B.A. Degree at Gordon College. She was married in Kanpur U.P., India on April 11, 1950, where she met her husband while serving as a missionary. They have two children, Mai Benjamin, born in Kanpur, India, August 16, 1951 and Ruth Shakuntala Ethel, born in Bristol, England, January 2, 1953.

This month we want to tip our hats to John Salome, a civic-minded citizen of Woonsocket, R. I., who works on the Herman molding machines. On January 26 of this year he received from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis Headquarters a Certificate of Appreciation in acknowledgment of his outstanding co-operation during the March of Dimes Drive. When the Drive got under way, John volunteered to engage in exhibition bowling matches, with all proceeds to be turned over to the March of Dimes.

In 1952, in the "Bowl a Strike and Save a Life" Tournament, John won first prize with a four-string total of 564. John, who is a member of the National Bowling Association's executive committee from Washington, D.C., also had a great deal to do with organizing the Woonsocket Little Bowling League. Youngsters from 10 to 13 years of age can take part. Nice going, John. Keep up the good work.

At the last meeting of the Accident Prevention Committee held on March 17, 1953, Mr. Melvin McCully, a safety engineer repre-

senting the Page Foundation, stated to the committee that, while visiting a plant in Springfield, Vt., he was told that the Whitin Machine Works has the cleanest and most orderly Foundry on the Atlantic Coast, and that this foundry is the envy of many, many foundries.

This statement means that without the splendid co-operation of everyone in the Foundry such an excellent reputation could not have been earned. The co-operation of everyone in keeping this Foundry clean has been splendid in the past and we are sure that it will continue to be so.

Congratulations to the following men who recently received their 10-year service pins: Mr. Roland Hanson and Mr. Normand R. Gendron. The presentation was made by Mr. Raymon F. Meader, Foundry superintendent. . . . A salute to Roland J. Heroux and George Aspinwall of the Foundry who donated their blood in the recent blood donation drive. . . . We want to wish Edward Gwozdouski a quick recovery from his illness and we welcome back Mike Derdarian after a long illness.

I want to personally thank Gerard Brouillette for his fine co-operation in the photography end of this column. And also all of you who assist me in gathering news in the Foundry for your column.

STOCK ROOM 406

by Arline Mikolaycik

We bade farewell to Mrs. Irene Barnett, and "Bill" Healy. Irene joined the staff at Methods, and "Hickey" is the assistant planner at 429. Lots of luck and success to you both in your new jobs. . . . And to Claire Lapierre, we bid a hearty welcome. She is our new typist. We're glad to have you aboard, Claire, and hope that you enjoy being with us. . . . A belated birthday greeting is extended to Lillian Levasseur. "Lil" tried to keep it a secret, but we

John Salome, Foundry, was given a certificate for aiding the March of Dimes by giving bowling exhibitions

managed to find out. . . . We're glad to see John Mahoney back once more, and in good health. We sure missed you around here.

A few of the fellows from our department decided it was about time that they had a little get-together. So on April 17 they went to Johnson's in Providence. The following Monday I asked one of the fellows if he had a good time. And this was his answer, "Wonderful—just wonderful," and I believe it. . . . We all wish a speedy recovery to Leonard White who is recovering from an operation at Cushing Veterans Hospital.

I understand that we have a very strict vegetarian amongst us. Maurice Patterson was quite late for work one morning, grabbed his lunch off the table, and scurried off to work. (At least he thought that he had his lunch.) At about 9 o'clock he got himself a bottle of milk, and sat down to eat. When he opened the bag, he found that he had grabbed the wrong one, and he had brought a head of lettuce instead. Tough luck, Maurice!

CARD SMALL PARTS AND CYLINDERS

by Millie Turgeon

John Bogie, Sr., who was out sick for three weeks, is now back looking as well as ever. . . . Oscar Kurowski has also been out. He was in Memorial Hospital to have some fluid removed from his shoulder which was not functioning properly. He is to be home for two weeks, then work for two weeks and back to the hospital to have the same thing done to the other shoulder. (Leave the nurses alone, Oscar.) . . . Carl Larson, our male nurse on the job, recently filled in for Sid Poole in the Shop Hospital for three weeks while Mr. Poole was out on vacation. . . . Andy Baird came in for a visit. Besides renewing old acquaintances he wanted to see the new aluminum cylinders for the card machines. (Guess he's still interested in his past work.)

Another former employee was in for a visit. Joe Lenard, our Marine, has just returned to the States after spending a year in Korea where he was an observer in the Korean hills. He is entitled to a 35-day leave, but is only taking 15 days now and the rest later when there is more doing. He reports to a southern base and will tour from there. He is hoping for a European cruise. Oh yes, Joe has done well for himself, he is now a Marine sergeant. Nice going, Joe.

Mrs. Robert Stewart and the children left by car the Monday of the school's spring week vacation for Washington, D.C. Bob

Richard Modig, who retired on March 27 after being employed here since March 12, 1921, receives the congratulations of Raymon F. Meader. Mr. Modig received a purse, the gift of his associates, from Mr. Robert C. Walker

The Tool Job Benefit Club held its annual banquet at the Pythian Hall on April 18. One of the highlights of the program was the minstrel show by members of the Club. The cast is pictured above

left the following Thursday to join them and all motored back arriving home the following Sunday. . . . Henry Beaudoin and Sid Daubney took off to see the Knitting Machine Show in Atlantic City. Our own new knitting machine, the Tricot Knit, is on display there. . . . Joe Tero is the latest in fishermen on the Job. He has recently taken this up as a pastime. Good fishing, Joe.

Tommy Stevenson's son goes to Dean Academy in Franklin. He is doing well and is on the honor roll or dean's list. Not so long ago, Tommy was rushing out there bringing some things to his son (watch your speed through Mendon, Tommy). . . . Charlie Hoekstra, foreman of Department 419, has changed residence and is now living on Leland Road. . . . Two fellows are eligible for their 5-year service pins. One is Sid Daubney, the other, Leo Drainville. Leo's was due some time ago, but he was in the Service at the time. . . . We have birthday greetings for the following: to Henry Gosselin, who celebrates on May 6; to Johnny Sotek and Eddie Ciccone, who both have the same birthday, May 21; and to "Chick" Lavallee on May 29. Happy Birthday to all. . . . At this writing, Jim Krull is expecting to go to the hospital for X-rays.

The bowling season is about ended with only the roll-off between the winners of the first and second halves to go and of course, the banquet. We have a new team coming into the limelight as the winners of the second half, the Waves which includes Captain Ann Mantell, "Tootie" Goulet, Wanda Janton, Bertha Bardon, "Widgic" Larochelle Esposito and Pat Vecchione. They will roll off with the Navy, winners of the first half.

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

Saturday night, April 18, was a big night for the members of the Tool Job Benefit Club and their wives and husbands, for on that night the club held its annual banquet. It was also the 12th anniversary of the organizing of the club. The affair was held in Pythian Hall, Whitinsville, with a near capacity crowd attending. All former members of the club, now living in retirement, and their wives were invited.

A turkey and ham dinner was catered by Mrs. Walker of Douglas, followed by a minstrel show directed by Art Barsey. Art and Mrs. Barsey worked very hard getting together this show and their efforts were greatly enjoyed and appreciated. The minstrel show was presented by talent from the Tool Job with the aid of four guest entertainers. From all reports the evening was enjoyed by everyone.

A cat belonging to Bob Dunford's wife climbed a tree and wouldn't come down, so Bob went up after it. On the way down the cat started to claw and bite so he dropped the cat. The cat ran away, never to be seen again. Bob's arms looked as though he had tangled with a wildcat. . . . Rudy Gniadek, cutter grinder, donated another pint of blood in Memorial Hospital, Worcester. . . . Joe Bartlett saw Fred Gundel, Welding Room, standing in line at the Credit Union window with a large, long and heavy key chain, hooked on his belt loop in front, hanging down to his knees and the other end in his back pocket. Joe said to Ed Kane, "Do you think he really has got a dog in his back pocket?" . . . We are sorry to report that the Tool Job will not be represented in the Whitin Machine Works softball league this season. It seems as though the Tool Job has gone golf-crazy.

Phil Larsen, Jr. is the big-game hunter in the Cutter Grinding Room. One night Phil heard his wife blowing the horn in front of the garage and he went out to investigate. He found a neighbor's dog and a skunk fighting in the garage, so he went back in the house and got his gun. After driving the dog away he shot and buried the skunk. His problem now is how to get rid of the smell. . . . Quite a few times during the winter John Torosian, night supervisor, got out of work at 12:30 a.m. and found his car stuck in the snow, so he bought himself a set of snowgrip tires. Then for the rest of the winter, instead of snow, it would rain. Then lo and behold, on April 13 John's prayers were answered and we got three inches of snow. The night shift boys say that he spent the whole night just riding around in the snow.

George Harabedian, jig maker, and Leo Tosoonian, scraper supervisor, went trout fishing in the Whitinsville Fish and Game Club private pond the opening day. George caught 29 horned pout and 1 trout and Leo caught 25 horned pout and 2 trout. . . . Garret Oppewall, Boring Mill, lives in the rural section of Uxbridge and has (or had) a mailbox at the end of the driveway. One day recently he went out to see if there was any mail. There was no mail—no mailbox, not even the post, nothing but a hole in the ground. . . . Our friend, Herb Henderson, recently had a slight case of amnesia. You see, Herb was out at a party recently and during the evening he became acquainted with some very nice people. A lady member happened to mention that she and her husband were married 20 years. Herb said, "If you've been married to that man for 20 years you deserve a 20-year pin." Then and there he pinned his 20-year shop pin on her. Now Herb can't remember who the lady was, so he doesn't have a shop pin any more.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

The greenback shower at Chestnut Hill in Millville for Cecile Gauthier and Arthur Malo was attended by over 200 persons. Arthur has his new home on Hill Street very nearly finished, and he and Cecile will be at home to friends after May 8. Good luck to two very nice people. . . . Mary Hay-

ward of the Receiving Office is sporting a brand new Plymouth. . . . It seems good to see Levi Rasco getting what little sun we have had the past few weeks out on his porch, waving greetings to his many friends. Levi has just recuperated from a bad illness.

Rene Morrisette of our Shipping Department recently completed a typing course at Northbridge High night school. We hear that Rene passed with the highest rank for the class. Good going, Rene. . . . It is also good to report that William Morrisette, who has had a serious operation, is back home and improving, although it will be six more weeks before he can report for work. . . . At this time we report the departure of Paul Oliver, of the Traffic Office, who flew to Los Angeles, Calif. on April 13, where he will be employed. His family expects to follow him in June. A stag party was held for Paul at Ashworth's on April 10. We all wish him the best of success.

SPINDLE JOB

by Ed Bates

Personality: Harvey Roy, born in Linwood, started with the Whitin Machine Works in 1923 on the Spindle Job grinding blades. He was transferred for a short while to Louis Hanson's job, returning to Department 439 a few months later. Harvey now runs a Cincinnati centerless grinder. During World War II, he served in the Army with the 324th Military Police Escort Squadron Co. (transferring prisoners of war). He lives with his mother in Linwood and likes baseball.

GEAR JOB

by Irene Kalvinek

Personality of the Month: James Allen, born in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia on January 27, 1919, moved to Whitinsville at the age of four. Jim graduated from Northbridge High School in 1937 and started to work at the Whitin Machine Works in 1939. He worked on Louis Hansen's job for one year, then was transferred to the Gear Job. In 1939 Jim married the former Mary Talbot of Whitinsville. Jim now owns his own home in East Douglas, and is the proud father of James Allen, Jr. Fishing, hunting and dancing are Jim's hobbies and he also does carpenter work.

For one year Jim attended the T.W.A. School and studied electronics. He hopes to continue his studies here. Mr. Allen is an active member in the Fish & Game Club, Grange, and is an officer in the Masons. Jim has been on the Gear Job for 14 years. Good luck to you, James Allen, our Personality of the Month.

Harvey Roy, Spindle Job Personality, began work on the Spindle Job in 1923

Happy birthday this month of May to Bernard Skillens, James Menard, Joseph Auger, Arthur Christian, Harry Chase, and Henry Girard. . . . Congratulations to Philip Svendsen, who has just received his 5-year pin. . . . Sidney Visbeck, tanned and looking very well, paid the members of the Gear Job a visit. Sidney is out of the Service now and we want to take this opportunity to wish Sid lots of luck in the future.

George Holt, assistant foreman of the Gear Job, is sporting a new 1953 blue Chevrolet. . . . While we are on the subject of cars I wish to make a correction. I stated in last month's SPINDLE that Mae McClure had a 1940 Oldsmobile. Sorry, Mae, I meant to say it was a 1941 Oldsmobile. . . . Babe Brochu and Bernard Howard are sharpening up their spikes for the softball season. Good luck to you, boys. . . . Fred Erickson is an enthusiastic fisherman. He started the season off by getting up at 4:30 in the morning. The saying goes, "The early bird catches the worm." In your case, Fred, let it be the fish.

James F. Allen is the Gear Job's Personality of the Month

Don King took the snow treads off his car a little too soon this year. Believe it or not, Don got stuck in the snow twice in our latest snowstorm. . . . Bernice Kroll is anticipating a trip to Hawaii to visit her daughter.

In closing, we wish to welcome to the Gear Job George Ebbeling, Gerard Lefebvre, Charles Hoel and Louis Paul, who is our new timekeeper. Gaston Ayotte, our former timekeeper, has been promoted to the Cost Department. Good luck to you, Gus, in your new job.

SAFETY RECORD IMPROVING

The Safety Committee of the Whitin Machine Works reports that there has been considerable improvement in the number of lost-time accidents during the year 1952.

	Total Number
Lost-Time Accidents, 1950	86
Lost-Time Accidents, 1951	81
Lost-Time Accidents, 1952	68

Management has made a sincere effort to remedy any mechanical hazards that have existed and the employees have shown a spirit of co-operation that is commendable.

The combination of these two factors has accomplished a decrease of 1.3 per cent from the 1950 frequency rate, and the severity rate has been reduced by .5 per cent.

MILLING JOB

by Marie VanderBaan

Our Personality for the Month is Anna Carlson. She attended the Mendon schools and is the daughter of Mrs. Annie Carlson. Besides helping out at home, Anna enjoys crocheting, bowling and baseball. She has been on the Milling Job nine years and on May 8 plans to sail to Europe with two of her cousins, Marilyn Halsing and Anne Marie Mattson, both of Mendon. They plan to visit relatives and points of interest in Sweden, Holland, Belgium, Germany, France, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, Spain, England, Scotland and Denmark.

On Tuesday evening, April 17, Anna was entertained at a surprise farewell party at the home of Simonne Roy. She was presented with a purse of money and after an entertainment, refreshments were served. Everyone enjoyed the evening and the Milling Job employees wish these charming young ladies a safe and pleasant journey. They plan to come home by plane. Don't take any wooden nickels or come home with a Scotchman!

Birthday congratulations are extended to the following for the month of May: William Lynch, Peter Nash, Joseph O'Dea, Andrew Kalvinek, Laurence Southwick, Henry Osowski, Alice Guertin, Thomas Kiezak, and Thomas Daley. . . . Five-year pins were extended to Owen Flood, Andrew Kalvinek, and Nicholas DeLucia. . . . Miss Alice Guertin was tendered a shower on April 12 at the Progressive Club, Uxbridge. . . . Miss Anne Hoogendyk was tendered a shower on April 22 at the Whitinsville Christian School.

Anna Carlson, Milling Job Personality, will visit 12 countries during her European tour

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Gloria Carter, Dorsey Devlin, and Tad Wallace

As a certain brand of cigarettes say, "only time will tell," such is the case of Louis Duggan, who we think might have aspirations to replace some major league ballplayers in the annual Boston Sportsmen's Show. Louis was recently seen explaining the finer points of how to use a casting reel to Leo Bourcier, who was getting ready to get rid of the reel until the "Old master came along." . . . For the first time since the start of the shop Softball League, the Production Department will not field a team this year. Reason: Insufficient interest, a lot of the former players are tied up in Little League activities. . . . Speaking of Little League, we have quite a representation in the Douglas league with Tad Wallace as league secretary, Norman Jussaume as umpire-in-chief, and Andy Mezzaro managing one of the teams.

The following were presented service pins by F. O. Rizer on April 17. Five-year pins went to Alice Bellione, Adrian Donatelli, Inez Adams, George Lennox, Lucien Champagne, Stella Stavinski, Nicholas Sereby, William Mulligan, Albert Ballou, Walter Kominicki, Gordon Anderson, Richard DuBois, Gloria Carter, Gerald Lauzier, Joseph Royer and Irene Woleck. A 10-year pin was presented to Albert Boileau. We offer our congratulations and a sincere hope for continued service. . . . Spring may not actually be here when you consider the weather we've had. However, when you hear the golfers, fishermen and baseball fans starting to compare notes, you know that we are going to have spring some day soon. As far as you fellows who play golf are concerned, if you break 100 or have a decent score you'd care to have us make public notice of, all you need to do is bring in your score card, notarized and witnessed by six people and we'll publish it. In the case of the fishermen we'll accept a picture of the big one, but we'd rather have a chance to see the fish. The baseball fans are in a different category, they cannot distort the truth at all.

It won't be long before you will see Bill Lavallee heading for the reservoir in Douglas to complete his summer cottage. Bill spent a great part of last summer working like a "beaver" on the place and is justly proud of his efforts. The cottage has a nice location and I'm sure Bill and his family will spend many happy hours during the summer at their summer home. Freddie Chaffee also comes in for some credit as he helped Bill a great deal on the project. . . . We wish to welcome Lucy Mooradian to the key punch section. Lucy has taken Marie Oliver's place who left us when she got married. . . . Irving Lightbown and Robert Bethel also should receive a great big welcome from their fellow workers. Irving and Bob have just returned to work after being discharged from the Service. Both these men are working with the auditors. . . . Marie Oliver was guest of honor at a bridal shower held at Ma Glocknar's. A delicious meal of fried chicken was enjoyed by all who attended. Marie was presented a General Electric toaster by her many friends. . . . We want to notify all people in and around Whitinsville before it's too late that one of our expeditors, after letting his driver's license run out for over five years, finally went down and took another road test. He also got his license. (Now the question I would like to know the answer to is how much did it cost you, Harold?) He got his license the first time he tried for it. Harold is now sporting around in a 1950 Plymouth. I hope you enjoy the car and have many years of safe driving. If you drive as well as you work, we won't have anything to worry about.

FOUNDRY PRODUCTION CONTROL OFFICE

by Earl Briggs

On May 30, John Kennedy will take the step and join the flock of happily married men. Advice seems to do no good, but in all sincerity, may we wish both you and Mildred the best of luck and happiness in your future lives. . . . Antennas are not necessary for good television reception. Just ask the G. B. Turners—they get along fine without one. During the recent April 16 snowstorm it seems that Jerry's television antenna snapped off and very nicely rested upon the roof. It stayed that way until one of the neighbors brought it to his attention. At this time Jerry is debating whether to get it fixed or not. . . . Everyone knows John Julian has a keen sense of choice when it comes to antiques. If you doubt it, just visit his Antique Shop in Milford, but we also find he has a keener sense when it comes to automobiles. John recently purchased a 1953 Pontiac station wagon, and it seems as if everyone who walks through the parking lot just stops and looks. Perhaps you should institute an admission ticket, John.

MEET THE FOUNDRY PRODUCTION CREW

Gerry Turner controls the reins
With efficiency plus in the whole domain.
The Order Section in all its glory,
Is under the leadership of Russell Mowry.
Of course his work would get out of hand
Without Barbara Christiansen and Ruth McCann.
The shortages that currently come our way
Are handled by Stanley Ziemba without delay.
John Julian has Benches and Brass Foundry,
For Crane and Side Floor its John Kennedy.
On the unit is Red Vincent and Leo Dufresne,
They deserve lots of credit, it sure is a strain.
When it comes to Hermans and Single Machine
To Joe Mercak that's always just peaches and cream.
Bill Taylor is supervisor of all Scheduled Parts
And Earl Briggs helps him maintain all his charts.
Just put them together and surely you'll see
What keeps Foundry Planning right to the "T."

MAIN OFFICE

by Elia Dell'Orco

In accordance with the announcement made in our last column, we happily begin our program of "Suspense" (and we trust our leer isn't too obvious).

A landed man two daughters had,
And they were very fair,
He gave to each a piece of land,
One round, the other square.
At 20 shillings an acre just,
Each piece its value had,
The shillings that would enclose each,
For it exactly paid.
Now, if a shilling be an inch across,
And that is very near.
Tell which the greater value had,
She of the round or of the square.

And now that we've launched you on the sea of turmoil, let's sail over to Callen's cellar. The rains came and what a treasure that sea yielded. Just ask the neighbors about the wedding finery so prominently displayed on the line. What a spot for a submarine race, providing you could hold your breath long enough. . . . And now, "Off We Go into the Wild Blue Yonder" with Gene Massey, ex-mailboy, who is by this time wearing Air Force blue. Arthur Vincent bade Gene Godspeed and presented him a parting gift from the Main Office. . . . And as if Uncle Sam's aircraft isn't enough, Alyre Richards of East Douglas who is ably filling Gene's shoes (with a few alterations, of course), tells me he is interested in model planes, and is at present working on one which will have a real motor. What fun! . . . Let's see, Uncle Sam's planes, model planes, and New York to Worcester planes. This last was the type that carried Betty Graham and Mame Britton on their recent trip to New York to visit Alice Ferguson, formerly of Main Office. These two lucky girls not only saw the Easter pageant at Radio City but also managed to see the much-talked-about Cinerama. Ooh—they tell me that roller coaster ride is really a "thriller." Alice, by the way, is secretary to the controller at the American Brake Co. and is loving every minute of it. New York, here I come!

Has anyone noticed the proud smile Roy Rollins is wearing these days? Who can blame him. 1st Lt. Bill Rollins, recently returned from Korea, is wearing the Distin-

guished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, and two Oak Leaf Clusters. The latter are given for completion of a certain number of missions. Modest Bill, however, refuses to say how many. . . . This being the right and proper month, let's all dance around the Maypole for the birthdays of Olga Rutana, Connie Dale, Ann McDonald, Marion Boyd, Gloria Frabotta, Alyre Richards, and Norman Shaw and for the anniversaries of Frank Polucha, Arthur Vincent, Sophie Levitre, Jim Graham, Edna Bergquist, and Irwin Hanny.

And now, folks, I would like to mention that this is my Swan Song. Next month your news will be reported by Gloria Marshall, and we know she'll do a grand job. . . . Oh yes, the answer to the above problem will be revealed next month and until then, happy figuring.

COST DEPARTMENT

by Dick Hanny and Cleve Reynolds

The past month has resulted in several personnel changes. Phil Myers has left us to join the accounting staff at David Gessner Company, Worcester, and Dexter Allen, our gear expert, is now employed in the Sales Department of Washburn Company, Worcester. Best of luck and success, Phil and Dexter, in your new jobs. . . . Gus Ayotte of Woonsocket, a former time clerk, joins the Twister Group pending Uncle Sam's draft call. Also, welcome back to Arthur Rochon who joins the Estimating Group. Nice to see you, boys. . . . Florence Perry joins the "'53 Club" with a new Plymouth. . . . During April, Mary Gibbons and Helen Sitnik received their 5-year pins while Florence Perry and Howard Anderson received their 10-year pins. . . . The recent political campaign in Woonsocket caused considerable debate among our gentlemen from that "All-America City." John Chatty, who spoke in behalf of one candidate at a political rally, was mentioned in both the "Call" and "Journal." If the same spirit and enthusiasm continues, their city should keep that "All-America City" title.

Birthday wishes go to Joe Platukis, Arthur Rochon, Everett Grant, Ken Crossman and Leroy Benner. . . . Wedding Anniversaries: Leroy and Mrs. Benner, their 26th; Herbert and Mrs. Barnes, their 17th; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Deragon, their 5th; Roland and Mrs. Farrar, their 11th; Florence and Morrice Perry, their 9th.

WAGE STANDARDS

by John Romasco

Well, here it is May, and talk of baseball, fishing and general outdoor activity is in order—so here it is. True to the tradition of "'Tis the good fisherman who gets the fish," John Strachan once again asserted himself in good fashion by bagging a good catch, four ranging from 16″ to 18″. . . . Sorry to state, Mr. Spence was not up to form and could only account for one fish. . . . According to all fishermen it would have been good equipment if heated uniforms and gloves were brought along for it was that cold. Quite a few of the office fishermen feel that it is too cold to start yet, but watch out for them in the stretch.

At this writing Mr. Estes is on a trip to Europe with our president, Mr. Bolton. Mr. Gordon Spence attended the S.A.M. conference in New York at the Statler Hotel. . . . Recently, a baby shower was tendered Mrs. Nancy Andrews, formerly of this office, by Miss May Hutcheson. The shower was attended by the girls of the office who presented Nancy with a white bassinet and yellow baby blanket. She recently returned from Germany where her husband is stationed with the Army. . . . The girls have been quite busy because they also presented Mrs. Alice Conway with a yellow baby blanket. She has taken up household duties. . . . There hasn't been too much excitement over the baseball season yet because it is rather young, but very little excitement is being shown by our Red Soxers. Being partial to New York, the writer can't blame them for feeling that way.

A parting thought! If you should ever want the weather for the day, don't ask "Ed" Haworth because whatever he says it will be, is generally what it won't be. Nice going, "Ed." What's for tomorrow?

Top: Enough blood to save many lives—242 pints—was donated to the Red Cross on April 21. Red Cross officials said this was the largest amount secured by the unit in any single visit to any community this year. Bottom: Unharmed by the almost painless experience, the smiling donors were served with light refreshments before returning to their other activities

REPAIR SALES DEPARTMENT

by Joyce Rondeau

This month we welcome Mrs. Norma Baker, who previously worked for Engineering at the Linwood Mill. . . . Adam Davidson is tied for high average in the men's bowling league. . . . Carl Dupree and Herb Lightbown are back from their vacations. Carl visited in Williamsburg and Herb visited his daughter in Bethesda, Md. . . . Dick Rawlinson returned after a week's business trip in the South. He missed our surprise snowstorm!

Golf season is here again! Harry Drinkwater is limping around the office after playing his first three shots of golf this year. . . . Reports are that Ray Adams does his best putting on the third green, the winter green, which no one else can play! . . . A party was held at Ma Glocknar's on April 9 for Dorothy Albin, who has left the office.

Anniversary congratulations this month go to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Austin, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wiersma. . . . Last month a party was given by the girls for Mr. Nelson. Albin celebrated his 68th birthday, and blew out all the candles on his three cakes.

On his retirement, a testimonial dinner was given to Mr. David C. Lash, supervisor of sub-contracts, at the Whitinsville Golf Club on the evening of April 17. Mr. E. Kent Swift was toastmaster. Mr. Lash was presented with a purse and a ten-year service pin. From the left: R. A. MacDonald, Erik Pierson, David C. Lash, E. Kent Swift, and John Cunningham

PAYROLL COMPUTATION, TABULATING, BUDGETS, STATEMENTS AND OFFICE TIMEKEEPING

by Edith Allen

Payroll Computation welcomes Pauline (Mrs. Cleveland Reynolds) to their department. . . . We welcome back to 462 Doris Erickson (Mrs. James) who is dividing her time between Statements and Tabulating. . . . Bradley Brown, son of F. Merwin Brown, supervisor of timekeeping, and Mrs. Brown, returned from duty in our armed forces in Germany on April 13 and was stationed at Fort Devens until April 21 when he received his official discharge after two years in Service.

Twenty girls from Department 462 enjoyed a delicious buffet supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cawley ("Connie," until recently of Mr. Thompson's office) on April 9. All did justice to the sumptuous menu complete with music. . . . Joyce Peck of Budgets left the department on April 24 as she is moving from town. . . . Louis Vanderloop left the same department on May 15 and is moving to the Cape.

WHITIN CAMERA CLUB TO SPONSOR ART CLASSES

The Whitin Camera Club, in addition to its photography activities, is planning to organize a class in oil painting and sketching. The classes, instructed by Fred Demars and Edward Gorman, will meet Wednesday nights at the Gym. There will be no charge for instruction; you need only be a member of the Whitin Community Association. If you wish to participate contact Walter DePartie or the instructors.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

by Peggy Beaudreau

A turkey dinner-stag party was held for Jim Arsenault at Jim's Inn, Farnumsville, on April 9. Joe Branigan served as master of ceremonies and after the dinner he called on Bob McCallum, Ernest Plante, Jim Roddy, Jim Brosnahan, Ren Yeo, Leo Roy, Jim Davidson and Ken Piper, who all responded by giving Jim some very helpful information on married life and how to run a home. The engineers' quartet composed of Jim Davidson, Jim Roddy, Jim Ashworth and Ken Piper, accompanied by Ray Boudreau at the organ and Bob Courtemanche with his accordion, sang a number of songs such as "Auld Lang Syne," "Those Wedding Bells Are Breaking Up that Old Gang of Mine," "Allouette," and "Down By the Old Mill Stream." Joe then called on Mr. S. H. Helland who wished Jim a long and happy married life, and then presented him with a purse of money from the Engineering and Master List Departments. Ken Piper then led community singing.

Stanley Witek was scheduled to attend the stag party, but he came very close to missing the best portion of it. Stan arrived at the usual stag hideout, the Klondike Inn, and after he had been there a short time realized that something was wrong as none of the men had showed up. He then proceeded to the Royal A.C. in North Grafton, almost positive that it was the place of the stag, but found no one there either. He started coming back home and going by Jim's Inn recognized some of his fellow-workers' cars that were parked in front of the building. So he went to Jim's stag almost an hour late.

Eight girls from the Engineering Department stepped out for an enjoyable chicken dinner at Chicken Pete's on April 1. After dinner the girls attended a movie in Milford and saw "Come Back Little Sheba." They really enjoyed an evening out and are planning on doing so again very shortly. . . . Mill trips were made by Al Roy, Earl Wood and Wallace Meigs. . . . Red Cross blood donors from the Engineering Department were Ray Burke, Seb Kalousdian, Phil O'Grady, and Peggy Beaudreau. Stasia Mucha donated a pint of blood at Memorial Hospital on March 25. . . . Birthdays celebrated during the last part of April were Stella Boudreau and Alice Naroian. Birthdays celebrated in May were Celia Beaudreau and Charles Drummond. Best wishes to you all. . . . We welcome Alfred Jaskulka to our big happy family.

METHODS DEPARTMENT

by Jean Cunningham

We want to take the opportunity to welcome Benjamin Musket from Pawtucket, who formerly worked at Peerless Mills. May Helen Fronczak also enjoy her stay with us after coming from the Spencer Shoe Company. Helen is from Woonsocket. Welcome also to Irene Barnett who comes to us from 406. Irene lives in South Sutton and we hope that she will be very happy with us. . . . We are very glad to see Emil Zywein back with us again after a short illness. Take care of yourself, boy! . . . Jack Lalor has his driver's license, so any day now you may see Jack riding around in his new "Chevvie." Jack feels that both his family and himself need a little recreation now and then.

Sam Mateer is having quite a time trying to have telephone conversations lately. His daughter, age 18 months, seems to realize it should be quiet, so she helpfully turns the television on with the volume up as high as it will go. Sam, consequently, has to stop, turn off television, come back, and then proceed with his conversation. . . . Virginia Kenyon had to be rescued the other day from the Tool Crib. One of her coworkers went with her to the crib and then stated that as he was busy he would leave and return in a few minutes. He left, locked the door from the outside, and Ginger had to wait until some kind soul came along and heard her plea for help.

Charlie Mateer and Joe Bouley say they are the envy of every man in the office who smokes a pipe. My belief is, they better not leave one lying around for the children to use as a bubble pipe. The pipes look like long cigarettes with a big chunk of tobacco on the end! . . . Joe has changed from fresh-water fishing to salt-water fishing. He takes off on a week end with all his paraphernalia, including a stove, and tramps up and down Cape Cod trying to catch the big one. So far, he's honest. He says he hasn't caught any big ones but he hasn't given up hope yet!

Carol McCrea told us the other day she didn't need glasses to see with, that they were just for the glare. That afternoon about 3 p.m. she discovered she had been wearing Ruth O'Day's glasses. . . . David Magill is very proud of the fact that his son, Ronald, has joined the Air Force and is now stationed at Sampson Air Base, Geneva, N. Y., for his training. Good luck to him! . . . Another year has rolled around for Al Arterton, Harley Buma, Frank DeHaas, Lewis Kenney, Jim Larsen, Frank Martin, Earl Mason, Ruth O'Day and Rose Albin. Have a very happy birthday, folks.

Whitin and Saco-Lowell Seek Protection from Foreign Imports

Representatives from the Whitin Machine Works and Saco-Lowell Shops appeared before the Tariff Commission in Washington recently to request greater protection from foreign imports of textile machinery.

Their petition stated that foreign-made carding machines were being sold to textile manufacturers in the United States, duty paid, nearly a thousand dollars less than comparable machines built by Whitin or Saco-Lowell, sole manufacturers of carding machines in this country. Our Fayscott division in Dexter, Maine, is currently engaged in the manufacture of carding machines.

Representatives of both companies cited the financial losses experienced because of the unfair advantage of foreign imports. They stressed the importance of eliminating this serious threat to an operation which normally provides a livelihood for 1,000 New England employees.

The Tariff Commission will study the case. If it finds undue injury or threat of it to domestic industry, it can recommend to President Eisenhower that an upward adjustment in import tariffs on this commodity be effected.

Aurelien Lamoureux, Department 416, married to Miss Pauline Jacques at St. Ann's Church in Hartford, Conn., April 18.

Abram Leibovitch, Methods, was married to Mary L. Solomon of Worcester, on April 19, in Worcester.

Rose Albin, working for George Fullerton, engaged to Raymond Shugrue of Uxbridge. No date has been set for the wedding.

James Arsenault, Engineering Department, married to Marguerite Grant of Uxbridge, in St. Mary's Church on April 11. They are honeymooning in Bermuda.

Mary Minnihan, formerly of Department 451, married to George D'Alfonso of North Uxbridge, on May 9.

Nancy Small, Department 439 Inspection, and Lionel Arguin, of Department 408 Inspection, were married at St. Peter's Rectory on Saturday, April 18.

Francis Lachapelle married Madeline Creedon of Pittsburgh, Pa., on April 4.

Remi Roy, Department 429, married to Lucille Picard, April 11, at the Church of the Good Shepherd.

Raymond Richard, apprentice machinist, 454, and Pauline Bellerose, Freight House Office, to be married on June 6.

Mrs. Alfred J. Bliss, Sr. has announced the engagement of her daughter Catherine to Alfred S. Ballou, Linwood Division.

The engagement of John Demars, GM 2/c, to Minnie Dupont of Danielson, Conn. has been announced. They will be married on June 6.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rice on the birth of a baby boy, Charles Anthony, Jr. on March 27.

To Norman Deragon, Cost Department, and Mrs. Deragon, a son, Paul, born April 17.

To Cornelius and Mrs. Visbeek, a son, their first, David Neil, born April 16, at Woonsocket Hospital, Woonsocket, R. I. Cornelius works in the Engineering Department.

To Leonard Gosselin, Department 436, and Mrs. Gosselin, a son.

Catherine Bliss, Hopedale, is engaged to Albert Ballou, Linwood Mill

To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bonadei, a daughter, Christine Marie, on April 17. Arthur works in the Traffic Department.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ellis on the birth of a daughter. Harold works in 410.

To Mr. and Mrs. Allen E. Jenkins on the birth of a son, Gilbert, born in Worcester. Mrs. Jenkins is the former Joyce Hampton. They make their home on Laurel Street, Worcester.

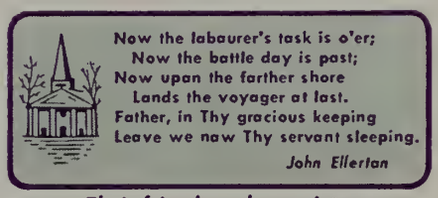
To Mr. and Mrs. John Romasco, a baby daughter, Eleanor Theresa, weight 9 lbs., born in Whitinsville Hospital on March 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gosselin, a daughter, Jane Teresa, born April 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Halacy, Jr., a son, born at the Milford Hospital.

To Paul Valacer, Research Division, and Mrs. Valacer, a son, born April 18.

To Armand Henault, Department 433, and Mrs. Henault, a son, Armand Joseph, born March 25.



Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Donald Hamblett, Methods Department, on the death of his mother, April 14, in Pawtucket.

Lou Chapman, Methods Department, on the death of his brother.

Paul Wheeler, Methods Department, and family on the death of Paul's father-in-law.

Survivors of David John Magill, 72, who died on April 2. He had been a resident of Whitinsville for 63 years.

Survivors of John Abraham, also known as Sarkis Hovanesian, 66, who died on March 24 after a short illness. Born in Armenia, he had lived in Whitinsville for 43 years.

Ruth and George Briggs and Mrs. Albert Kidd on the recent death of their grandmother and mother.

Adeline Montgomery on the death of her sister, Mrs. Sarah Spence.

The family of Joseph Gervais of Woonsocket, R. I. who passed away on March 30.

Rex Baxendale on the death of his brother.

Survivors and friends of William O'Donnell of the Core Room who died April 13 after a long illness.

Abraham Koury, inspector on Atomic Bonnets, Department 433, on the sudden death of his mother.

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JOHN J. PICHETTE

was born in Whitinsville, Mass., on June 18, 1888, and has lived here all of his life. He started to work on the Comber Job for Ben Graves in February of 1903. After a short stay there he was transferred to the Spindle Job where he is presently employed.

Jack is well known for his accomplishments with the drums, he having played for Jack Hey's orchestra for a great many years, and later for Adams and Brown. He can also do a very creditable job with the saxophone.

He was also instructor for the Jeffrey L. Vail Post American Legion Drum Corps when that group was one of the best in the state. Due to Jack's excellent direction they managed to win a number of competitions throughout the state.

He is taking things easier now during his spare time and can be found fishing on one of the near-by ponds during the fishing season.

JOHN BLAINE

was born in Uxbridge, Mass., on October 31, 1880, and has made his home in that town all of his life. He started to work for the Whitin Machine Works in 1895, at the age of 15, and worked in the Blacksmith Shop and on the Spinning Job. Around 1902 he left to accept employment in a jewelry shop in North Attleboro, Mass., but returned to work for us in February of 1903 and was with us continuously from that time until his retirement last August. For 49 years he was employed on the Gear Job.

He lives at 32 Rivulet Street, North Uxbridge, Mass., and his son and his family make their home with him. Since retiring he has been taking things easy and has been doing a lot of reading.

50TH ANNIVERSARY WITH WHITIN

BROER DEVRIES

was born in Holland on June 19, 1887. He [illegible] there in early March of 1903 and came di[illegible] to Whitinsville. He started to work in the Shop on March 30 of that year. His first and only job was on the Roll Job where he was for 50 consecutive years, starting for B. L. M. Smith and working under George Gill, John Carro[illegible] Thompson Boyd and Cecil Baker.

He made his home in South Sutton fr[illegible] March, 1903, until 1919 when he move[illegible] Whitinsville. In 1923 he bought a ho[illegible] East Douglas and has lived there since tha[illegible]

Mr. DeVries retired on April 24, 195[illegible] intends to spend his spare time raisi[illegible] chickens and working in his garden.

JOHN WASIUK

[illegible]orn in Poland on June 24, 1876, and came [illegible] the United States in 1902. He worked in the Riverdale Mills for about a year, and started to work for the Whitin Machine Works in August, 1903. He started to work on the Bolster Job and has worked continuously in that department.

For some years he had a small shop in the [illegible]w Village section where he sold and repaired [illegible]les. He gave this up some years ago.

[illegible] lives at 39 D Street with one of his daugh- [illegible] His son John Wasiuk, Jr., is superin- [illegible] of the Shipping and Freight Division.

WINFORD "SALLY" JONES

was born in Montgomery, Vt., on August 15, 1889, and came to Whitinsville as a child. He started to work in the Pattern Loft on his birthday, August 15, 1903, and has been there ever since. He started as an attendant and is now foreman. "Sally" could write an interesting book on the changes in his department in the last 50 years.

He likes to hunt, fish and canoe, and for a fellow who cannot swim, he is lucky to be around. He catches fish where no one else can get even a mosquito bite; rabbits when even a beagle doesn't know there is one around.

He was a pretty good outfielder in his day, having played for Rockdale, Pascoag and Whitinsville when there were some pretty good amateur teams in this section. He was pitching in the Shop Sunset League when he was old enough to be the father of many of the players, and he could still hold his own with the younger players.

On January 1, 1953, he retired from the Whitinsville Fire Department after being a member for 35 years. He was a captain at the time of his retirement.

He is president of the Blood Donors Club and has held that office since the group was organized. He is well known in every hospital in Worcester County, as well as in distant places, and has personally given blood to many a needy individual. He is proud of this group.

He is an active member of the Whitin Home Garden Club and has been for many years. He is continually supplying his neighbors with fresh vegetables. He has a son George who is employed on the Tool Job.

FRONT COVER: This month we are proud to add to our 50-Year Honor Roll the names of John Blaine, John Pichette, Broer DeVries, W. Winford Jones and John Wasiuk, Sr.

E. Kent Swift congratulates John J. Pichette upon completing 50 years of employment at the Whitin Machine Works. Mr. Pichette was presented a watch appropriately inscribed

Felix Herbin of Charlotte, North Carolina, lost track of the years and completed 46 years of employment before receiving his 40-year pin from J. Hugh Bolton

"To You Who Have Contributed So Much"

Whitin Honors Forty–Fifty Year Men

It was an auspicious occasion for the more than 200 active and retired senior employees who assembled at the Whitin Cafeteria to attend a banquet in their honor on the evening of May 7. Many of the retired men travelled from distant points to renew acquaintances and reminisce with old friends in Whitinsville.

The banquet was given by Mr. E. Kent Swift and Mr. J. Hugh Bolton in honor of the 248 loyal Whitin employees each of whom has served the company for at least 40 years. Together they have amassed a stupendous total of 11,665 years of continuous service.

Mr. Swift's analysis of the service records of these 248 veterans listed this year showed that: one active and four now inactive employees had served the company from 60 years up to and including 65 years; in the group with service of 50 years up to and including 59 years there are 28 active employees and 36 retired employees, or a total of 64 employees; in the group with service of 40 years up to and including 49 years there are 134 active employees and 45 retired employees, or a total of 179 employees. The record thus reveals a total of 163 active employees and 85 retired employees, or a grand total of 248 employees with more than 40 years of service.

After the chicken pie and lobster salad dinner, Mr. Swift introduced Mr. J. H. Bolton who addressed the gathering very briefly, indicating that he believed that brevity is the soul of wit. In his remarks Mr. Bolton stated that he was gratified with the fact that the company has been able to inaugurate the general pension plan which supplements social security benefits and has already aided quite a number of our senior employees in their financial arrangements for retirement.

At the conclusion of his remarks, Mr. Bolton presented 40-year service pins to the 12 men who had joined the ranks of this group, and congratulated each of them on his fine record of service.

Twelve new men join the ranks of the 40-year group. From the left: front row, S. H. Helland, Robert Hargreaves, Benjamin Scott, Alexander Jongsma, and Clinton Babson; back row, Cecil Baker, Peter Kooistra, Arthur Lawrence, Felix Youngsma, and Dick Malkasian. Raymond Kelliher and George Kuindersma were absent when the photograph was taken

With a total of more than two centuries of service behind them these active and retired men are rich in memories of bygone years at Whitins. From the left: Henry Graves, 60 years service, active; Vice-President Ralph E. Lincoln, 52 years service, active; Ernest Booth, 62 years service, retired; and Joseph Bouvier, 60 years service, retired

Left: There are always some folks who fail to appreciate a good cigar. From the left: Robert K. Marshall, John F. Carroll, Andrew Baird, Henry Todd, Albin Nelson, George Hanna, and Adolph Roy

Below left: The banquet afforded a golden opportunity for retired employees to visit with old friends they formerly worked with. Here a retired employee, James Henderson, center, chats with S. H. Helland, left, and Robert Brown, right

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In a brief address to the group Mr. Swift said in part, "We are an old concern, starting business in 1831, and today we are 122 years of age. This record speaks well, not only for the company, but also for you who have contributed so much in your loyalty to the company, to its prosperity, and progress. In the many years which we have been here, we have seen many changes. In the last 50 years there have been four wars—the Spanish War, World War I, World War II and the Korean War. These wars have been attended with many changes in the political scene, in the development of the sciences, and in the customs and ways of mankind.

"Through these changing years, the Whitin Machine Works has grown and prospered. While I have been identified with the company, I have seen 11 companies, which were building machinery such as we build or have built, go out of business. The mortality in this textile machinery field has been heavy. Fortunately, we have stemmed the tide and the current, and today are in good shape to face the future. All of you have contributed to the progress and the fine record of the Whitin Machine Works.

"I know of no finer community than our own Whitins-

Above: Random groups of men gathered together to talk over old times. These men interrupted their conversation to face the camera. From the left: Benjamin Scott, Rinaldo Hoyle, Napoleon Millette, Kazar Naroian, and Robert Wilson

Above: Among those who came from distant points to attend the banquet were, from the left: Robert Metcalf, Richmond, Virginia; David Lyerly, Charlotte, North Carolina; and Felix M. Herbin, Charlotte, North Carolina

ville and, as we lay down our tasks, we can hand down to those who come after us a heritage of which they can well be proud. As one of you older veterans (and I think I can claim 53 years of service in September) I am reluctant to lay down some of the duties and responsibilities which I have had; but I do so with great confidence in our organization today. I think that the knowledge of having done one's part and of having contributed what he could to the happiness and prosperity of this community, should be a source of great satisfaction.

"In the years which remain to us, there should be opportunity for us to enjoy well-earned leisure. The world in which we live is filled with wonders. There are so many things to interest us that I cannot feel too sorry for myself, or for the rest of you who are now inactive. In this period of life we have a certain amount of contentment in work well done, and we can look forward to a certain amount of pleasure in doing some of the things which we have always wanted to do but have not had time to do before."

At the conclusion of his speech, Mr. Swift gave brief biographical sketches of the new 50-year men as he presented each with a gold pocket watch appropriately inscribed.

Five outstanding vaudeville acts, procured by Mr. P. B. Walker, held the rapt attention of the audience and concluded the evening's program.

Left: Cycling Kirk the Wizard on wheels. Center: One of the many amazing feats of strength displayed by Edna and Leon, acrobats. Right: Scotty Burbank, in his musical novelty act, played the piano and two cornets simultaneously

248 Loyal Whitin Employees Have Given 11,665 Years of Continuous Service

Sixty Years' Service

ACTIVE

Henry Graves.....*March, 1893*

RETIRED

Jeremiah Haggerty...*May, 1884 to February 28, 1950*
W. E. Booth.....*January, 1888 to September 19, 1952*
Dennis Mack.....*July, 1881 to September 15, 1945*
Joseph Bouvier.....*December, 1890 to June 27, 1952*

Fifty Years' Service

ACTIVE

William Montgomery.....*June, 1894*
Henry Todd.....*July, 1895*
Edward C. Driscoll.....*December, 1895*
George F. Hanna.....*January, 1896*
William McNeil.....*1898*
Robert K. Marshall.....*December, 1898*
Peter T. Baker.....*January, 1899*
Andrew Cahill.....*April, 1899*

FIFTY THROUGH FIFTY-NINE YEARS OF SERVICE. From the left: 1st row, Levi Rascoe, John Leech, Simeon Bourdon, Henry Graves, Stephen Machoian, Peter Baker, Charles Newton, and Jacob Deranian; 2nd row, Albert Hewett, Henry Ebbeling, Samuel Finney, Jacob Feddema, Broer DeVries, James Finney, William Walker, Edward Driscoll, and David Deranian

FIFTY THROUGH FIFTY-NINE YEARS OF SERVICE. From the left: 1st row, Henry Todd, John Carroll, Adolph Roy, George Hanna, Thomas Wallace, William Montgomery, Thomas Fitzpatrick, and Thomas Crompton; 2nd row, Robert Marshall, Andrew Baird, George Ferry, Fred Bousquet, John Spencer, John Shaw, Dexter Wood, John Pichette, and Simon Chiras; 3rd row, Winford Jones, James Marshall, George Forsythe, James Burke, Arthur Hall, Earl Hanny, and William Sherry. Insets: left, John VanderBaan; right, John Blaine

FIFTY YEARS' SERVICE (Continued)

Samuel Finney.....*February, 1900*
James F. Marshall.....*April 12, 1900*
Adolph Roy.....*April, 1900*
Stephen Machoian.....*May 7, 1900*
Simeon Bourdon.....*August, 1900*
E. Kent Swift.....*September 1, 1900*
John VanderBaan .....*November, 1900*
Thomas P. Dunn.....*June, 1901*
William Forsythe.....*June, 1901*
Exanapha Letourneau.....*June, 1901*
Simon Chiras.....*July, 1901*
R. E. Lincoln.....*July 1, 1901*
John Shaw.....*September, 1901*
Arthur St. Andre.....*November, 1901*
R. I. Dalton.....*June 19, 1902*
Oscar Martin.....*July, 1902*
James B. Finney.....*September, 1902*
William V. Ledue.....*December 23, 1902*
John Pichette.....*February, 1903*
W. Winford Jones.....*August, 1903*
John Wasiuk.....*August, 1903*

RETIRED

Jacob Deranian.....*October, 1892 to July 3, 1952*
Thomas Fitzpatrick.....*April, 1893 to October 1, 1951*
John F. Carroll.....*January, 1883 to April 1, 1941*
Robert Magill.....*March, 1893 to June 29, 1951*
Jacob Feddema.....*May, 1892 to March 3, 1950*
Earl Hanny.....*October, 1895 to November 25, 1952*
Arthur Hall.....*October, 1895 to August 18, 1952*
George Ferry.....*June, 1895 to August 20, 1951*
Christopher Kane.....*June, 1890 to May 3, 1946*
Rein Workman.....*September, 1895 to October 1, 1951*
David Deranian.....*May, 1889 to February 15, 1945*
Thomas Crompton.....*June, 1889 to January 5, 1945*
Frank Roy.....*1893 to July 2, 1948*

FIFTY YEARS' SERVICE (Continued)

John T. Wild ..... *October, 1889 to October, 1944*
William McNaul ..... *June, 1895 to April 7, 1950*
William Deane ..... *March, 1898 to July 29, 1952*
Dexter S. Wood ..... *October, 1891 to January 2, 1946*
Levi Rasco ..... *June, 1898 to August 1, 1952*
William Sherry ..... *March, 1896 to November 18, 1949*
John Leech II ..... *May 8, 1899 to November 29, 1952*
Peter Goodhue ..... *November, 1887 to January 28, 1941*
Charles Nigohosian ..... *July, 1899 to August 18, 1952*
George A. Forsythe ..... *July, 1899 to July 25, 1952*
Fred Bousquet ..... *May, 1900 to January 22, 1953*
Robert Drohan ..... *June, 1898 to September 27, 1950*
William J. Walker ..... *October, 1891 to January 1, 1944*
Albert F. Hewett ..... *June, 1892 to April 1, 1944*
Andrew Baird ..... *June, 1899 to December 29, 1950*
Oliver L. Bonoyer ..... *June, 1897 to September 10, 1948*
Arthur VanDyke ..... *May, 1901 to July 1, 1952*
Henry Ebbeling ..... *May, 1901 to June 27, 1952*
Thomas Wallace ..... *June, 1900 to June 28, 1951*
Thomas O'Connell ..... *September, 1899 to March 18, 1950*
Broer DeVries ..... *March, 1903 to April 24, 1953*
Dennis Burke ..... *January, 1895 to January 10, 1945*
John Spencer ..... *August, 1899 to July 29, 1949*
Charles Newton ..... *January, 1895 to January, 1945*
John Blaine ..... *February, 1903 to August 8, 1952*

Forty Years' Service

FORTY THROUGH FORTY-NINE YEARS OF SERVICE. From the left, 1st row, Moses Malkasian, Peter Kooistra, Garabed DerSarkisian, Samuel Cleland, Kazar Naroian, Napoleon Millette, F. M. Herbin, and Rinaldo Hoyle; 2nd row, Ernest Smith, Fred Cowburn, Fred Kramer, Mark Haroutunian, Adolf Morin, Lucien Blouin, Ysbrand Brouwer, Garabed Bedrosian, and Arsan Ovian; 3rd row, Archie Fournier, Jacob Kooistra, Dowell Corron, Harry Drinkwater, Oliver Copeland, David Blakely, Albert Buma, and John Leonard. Inset—Joseph Fenner

FORTY THROUGH FORTY-NINE YEARS OF SERVICE. From the left: 1st row, Hagop Hagonian, Hagop Datekian, John Branigan, James Jones, Philip Belanger, John Martin, Esten Lermond, James Forsythe; 2nd row, Kachador Boghosian, Andon Asadoorian, Homer Flinton, Arthur Baillargeron, Ernest Keyes, John Moscoffian, Peter Johnson, Michael DerKosrofian, and Robert Smyth; 3rd row, Israel Ovoian, Gerben Oppewall, Stephen Chiras, Titus Cooper, Michael Zylstra, Gerrit DeBoer, Dick Malkasian, and Madrias Hamparsoomian

FORTY YEARS' SERVICE (Continued)

ACTIVE

Joseph Baillargeon.....*June, 1904*
James B. Forsythe.....*June, 1904*
Esten Lermond.....*November, 1904*
Albert Montgomery.....*January, 1905*
Arthur Prince.....*January, 1905*
Arthur Baillargeon.....*March, 1905*
Louis Laflamme, Jr.....*April, 1905*
Stephen Chiras.....*June, 1905*
Joseph Dumais.....*June, 1905*
Joseph Hinchliffe.....*June, 1905*
Arsan Ovian.....*July, 1905*
John Vanderzee.....*July, 1905*
Harold Oakes.....*September, 1905*
Joseph Courteau.....*November, 1905*
Gerben Oppawall.....*November, 1905*
Louis R. Veau.....*November, 1905*
Robert Blakely.....*January, 1906*
Andrew Trasavage.....*February, 1906*
Lucien Blouin.....*April, 1906*
Albert Buma.....*April, 1906*
Peter Ledoux.....*April, 1906*
Louis Chabot, Sr.....*April 6, 1906*
Hugh Brown.....*June, 1906*
F. A. Corron.....*June, 1906*
Housep Hagopian.....*June, 1906*
Felix Herbin.....*1906*
Nazaire D. Laferriere.....*June, 1906*
Napoleon Millette.....*1906*
Sipka Oppawall.....*June, 1906*
Samuel Cleland.....*August, 1906*
Harry B. Stuart.....*August, 1906*
John Moscoffian.....*August, 1906*
Adolf Morin.....*September, 1906*
James Krull.....*October, 1906*
Oliver H. Copeland.....*November, 1906*
Thomas G. Hamilton.....*December, 1906*
Rinaldo Hoyle.....*March, 1907*
Ignas Witek.....*March, 1907*
Harry W. Drinkwater.....*June, 1907*
Arthur Jackman.....*June, 1907*
Arthur Marshall.....*June, 1907*
Peter Johnson.....*June 15, 1907*
Robert G. McKaig.....*June 17, 1907*
William Feddema.....*October, 1907*
Chester Greenwood.....*January, 1908*
Simon Wolock.....*January, 1908*
Willis J. Winchenback.....*February, 1908*
Peter A. Michalik.....*June, 1908*
James Clarke.....*November, 1908*
Harvey J. Deslauriers.....*November, 1908*
Joseph J. Reneau.....*November, 1908*
Moses Malkasian.....*December, 1908*
Andon Asadoorian.....*January, 1909*
Frank Donovan.....*January, 1909*

FORTY THROUGH FORTY-NINE YEARS OF SERVICE. From the left: 1st row, Andrew Buwalda, Joseph Courteau, Joseph Dumais, Alire Pouliot, Joseph Hetherington, Robert McKaig, Mathias McNeill, and George Kuindersma; 2nd row, William Kearnan, William Henderson, Thomas Hamilton, Arthur Lawrence, Oscar Antoian, Jacob Youngsma, Harold Oakes, and Harry Alger; 3rd row, John Dufries, Louis Bergeron, Joseph Berkowicz, Nazaire Laferriere, Louis Vincent, Edward Jennings, Joseph Hinchliffe, and Alexander Jongsma

FORTY YEARS' SERVICE (Continued)

ACTIVE

Kachadoor Boghosian.....*February 19, 1909*
Kaspar Hagopian.....*April, 1909*
A. M. Langlois.....*April, 1909*
David Magill.....*April, 1909*
Phil Belanger.....*June, 1909*
J. H. Jones.....*June, 1909*
J. J. Foley.....*July 1, 1909*
Garabed DerSarkisian.....*August, 1909*
Alire J. Pouliot.....*August, 1909*
Michael Zylstra.....*August, 1909*
John Martin.....*September, 1909*
Irwin W. Hanny.....*October, 1909*
Joseph Hetherington.....*October, 1909*
Fred Cowburn.....*November, 1909*
Thomas H. Driscoll.....*November, 1909*
Edward L. Nuttall.....*November, 1909*
Walter Boutilier.....*January, 1910*
James Cahill.....*February, 1910*
Joseph Fenner.....*March, 1910*
Fred Kramer.....*March, 1910*
Richard Lemay.....*March, 1910*
Timothy Brosnahan.....*April, 1910*
Delle Duhammel.....*April, 1910*
Robert Smyth.....*April, 1910*
George Armston.....*May, 1910*
Harold Kane.....*June, 1910*
Leroy Clarke.....*July, 1910*
S. R. Mason.....*July 1, 1910*
Madiras Hamparsoomian....*July 30, 1910*
Archie L. Fournier.....*October, 1910*
Hagop Batekian.....*December, 1910*
John Leonard.....*February, 1911*
E. M. Dennett.....*March, 1911*
Louis Vincent.....*March, 1911*
John Dufries.....*April, 1911*
Edward Jennings.....*April, 1911*
Octave LeBlanc.....*October 12, 1911*
Frank Maguire.....*November, 1911*
James Gusney.....*January, 1912*
Toros Shaharian.....*January, 1912*
Paul Rutanna.....*February, 1912*
Harry Kearnan.....*February, 1912*
Lester Hewett.....*March, 1912*
Albin W. Nelson.....*March 3, 1912*
Oscar Antoian.....*April, 1912*
James Spence.....*April, 1912*
Charles T. Noble.....*April 1, 1912*
Mathias H. McNeil.....*May, 1912*
Sies Schat.....*May, 1912*
Joseph Berkowicz.....*June, 1912*
Robert Lawson.....*June, 1912*
Israel Ovoian.....*June, 1912*
John Rutana.....*June, 1912*
Robert S. Wilson.....*June 1, 1912*
Peter Kurek.....*June 3, 1912*
Robert K. Brown, II.....*July 1, 1912*

FORTY YEARS' SERVICE (Continued)

ACTIVE

Harry Alger.....*July, 1912*
Kazar Naroian.....*July, 1912*
W. D. Lyerly.....*July 17, 1912*
Louis Hanson.....*September, 1912*
John Lamont.....*October, 1912*
Garabed Bedrosian.....*October 5, 1912*
Michael DerKosrofian.....*December, 1912*
James S. Ferry.....*December 1, 1912*
Raymond Kelliher.....*January, 1913*
Sigurd H. Helland.....*February, 1913*
Alexander Jongsma.....*March, 1913*
Arthur Lawrence.....*March, 1913*
Clinton W. Babson.....*April, 1913*
Cecil Baker.....*April, 1913*
Peter Kooistra.....*July, 1913*
Robert Hargreaves.....*July, 1913*
George Kuindersma.....*August, 1913*
Dick Malkasian.....*August, 1913*
Benjamin G. Scott.....*August, 1913*
Jacob H. Youngsma.....*September, 1913*

RETIRED

Albertus Lafleur.....*December, 1895 to March 29, 1945*
Napoleon Turgeon.....*May, 1902 to July 15, 1951*
Ludger J. Roy.....*October, 1891 to June 29, 1940*
Titus Cooper.....*June, 1904 to February 13, 1953*
James Leitch.....*October, 1898 to January 1, 1947*
Fred Matthewman.....*July, 1896 to October 1, 1944*
Ernest Keyes.....*December, 1901 to August 31, 1949*
Solomon Ovian.....*October, 1905 to March 13, 1953*
Andrew Buwalda.....*June, 1905 to November 7, 1952*
Homer Flinton.....*May, 1898 to September, 1945*
Homer Brouillette.....*August, 1897 to September, 1944*
David Blakely.....*September, 1905 to October 31, 1952*
Harry Hamparsian.....*April, 1906 to November 7, 1952*
Arthur W. Bowley.....*1906 to January 1, 1953*
Mark Haroutunian.....*April, 1907 to May 31, 1953*

FORTY THROUGH FORTY-NINE YEARS OF SERVICE. From the left: 1st row, Ignas Witek, John Vandersea, Robert Lawson, J. Herbert Park, Robert Metcalf, Benjamin Scott, James Spence, and Harry Stuart; 2nd row, Sigurd Helland, David Magill, Cecil Baker, Arthur Jackman, Toros Shaharian, John Lamont, and John Blaine; 3rd row, Simon Plitouke, Octave LeBlanc, James Ferry, Robert Hargreaves, W. David Lyerly, Harry Hamparsian, Charles Noble, and Fred Mathewman

FORTY YEARS' SERVICE (Continued)

RETIRED

Artie M. Meader	*October, 1895 to January, 1942*
Gerrit DeBoer	*October, 1906 to November 26, 1952*
Robert Clark	*July, 1895 to February, 1941*
John Sullivan	*September, 1907 to February 27, 1953*
Hagop Hoogoian	*July, 1906 to May 25, 1951*
Arthur G. Clark	*September, 1907 to July 25, 1952*
James Kane	*July, 1906 to September 15, 1950*
W. J. Kearnan	*June, 1895 to July, 1939*
A. J. Gamelin	*February, 1909 to February 27, 1953*
Sarkis Asadoorian	*August, 1909 to January 19, 1953*
George S. Ferguson	*May, 1907 to March 30, 1951*
Arthur Wright	*June, 1909 to March 31, 1953*
Hertsen Vanderburg	*May, 1906 to February 17, 1950*
Simon Platukus	*March, 1909 to November 25, 1952*
H. H. Bullock	*August, 1902 to November, 1944*
Robert Clark, Jr.	*June, 1908 to August 6, 1951*
Martin O'Day	*June 19, 1909 to July 3, 1952*
William B. Henderson	*May, 1900 to May 1, 1943*
Timothy Nutter	*October, 1900 to 1943*
Ysbrand Brouwer	*February 15, 1908 to September 1, 1950*
J. C. Henderson	*April 10, 1910 to September 27, 1952*
Ernest C. Smith	*August, 1903 to 1945*
James McCabe	*November, 1910 to November 13, 1952*
Robert Metcalf	*November, 1906 to September 30, 1948*
Gilbert Harwood, Sr.	*July, 1909 to January 26, 1951*
Jacob Kooistra	*October, 1899 to April, 1941*
John Howard	*August, 1908 to October 24, 1949*
John Branigan	*June, 1905 to March 30, 1945*
J. Herbert Park	*July 5, 1911 to March 29, 1952*
Thomas Colthart	*March, 1910 to September 28, 1950*
Louis Bergeron	*April, 1905 to August 31, 1945*

FORTY THROUGH FORTY-NINE YEARS OF SERVICE. From the left: 1st row, James Cahill, Thomas Driscoll, Albin Nelson, Robert Wilson, Sydney R. Mason, and James Henderson; 2nd row, Willis Winchenbach, Robert Brown, Louis Veau, Housep Hagopian, Kaspar Hagopian, and Richard Lemay

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THE AUTUMN YEARS

"When I grow up!" As children these words were often on our tongue. As young adults, faced with the problems of earning a living and raising a family, many of the wonderful things we long to do must temporarily be laid aside. It is in the years of maturity, the golden years of retirement, that these dreams we had as children once again become an actual possibility.

For those who retire today the end of employment is not the closing of a door but the opening to an even richer, fuller life. Successful retirement is not a period of rusting, of quiet decay.

Many persons at the end of half a lifetime in the service of one cause begin to feel some loss in imagination and zest for the day's work. But when those persons who have contributed their full share to the world's work turn to something new, something challenging, something suitable, they often find to their surprise that they enjoy a "second wind."

So, if you've longed for time to read, to travel, to make things—now that you've retired is the time to do it.

Whitin Personality

"It was in Lorrack, Germany, that I was asked to give up my hotel room for a man named Huess," said Otto William Schlums, mechanical research engineer. "He happened to be the President of Germany, so the embarrassed manager politely asked me to move. I really didn't have much choice."

With these words Otto concluded a description of the 16 months he spent overseas as a Whitin representative demonstrating the Model J Comber. During his trip he visited England, France, Germany, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Sweden, Ireland, Scotland and Denmark.

He has an especial fondness for Denmark, for in 1921 Miss Laura Jessen of Esjberg, Denmark, became his bride. Now residing at 320 Church Street, Whitinsville, Mr. and Mrs. Schlums are the parents of two married daughters, Anna and Laura, and the grandparents of six boys and a girl.

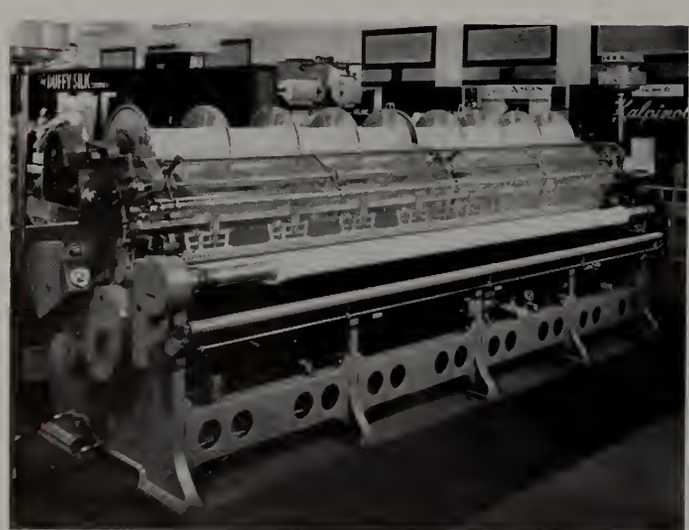
Born in Roxbury, Mass., May 5, 1895, Otto graduated from Mechanic Arts High School, Boston, and for 12 years continued his studies at various night schools. He worked for William Firth, H. G. Butt Manufacturing Company, and American Wiremold Company before joining Whitin in 1934. Prior to the establishment of the Research Division he was foreman of the Experimental Construction Department.

In the early days of aviation Otto flew in free balloons, blimps and seaplanes. As a naval ensign during World War I he flew antisubmarine patrol off the coasts of France and England. For eight postwar years he was a lieutenant (j.g.) in the Naval Reserve.

Otto's hobbies are sports and gardening. "I used to be a baseball fan," he sighed. "I rooted for the Braves." As a gardener he has taken prizes with his tomatoes, carrots and beets. He is a member of Winthrop Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of St. Elmo R.A.C., and of the Textile Officials Association, Bolton Branch, Manchester, England.

Whitin representatives set up and operated the machine, at the 41st Knitting Arts Exhibition in Atlantic City. You should be able to recognize several of the men in the picture

"Model D" Tricot Knitter Makes Debut in Atlantic City



This new Model "D" Tricot Knitting machine was displayed for the first time at the Knitting Arts Exhibition

The Whitin "Model D" Tricot Knitting Machine made its first public appearance at the 41st Knitting Arts Exhibition held in Atlantic City from April 27 to May 1. Set up and operated by Charles May and Andrew Scott, the machine performed well and attracted favorable comments from the large crowds that visited the Whitin booth.

The features and improvements built into this new Whitin "Model D" Tricot Knitter provide important operating advantages—each one contributing to increased production, sharply improved cloth quality, lowered cost-per-pound operation, or reduced maintenance costs.

The "Model D" provides the knitting industry with a high speed, high production, knitting machine that is tops for quality, production, efficiency and economy.

As a result of its advanced design and sound engineering this tricot knitter presents to the industry the machine that meets its requirements squarely and completely, a machine which, for flexibility, high production, and quality control will set new standards of machine operation in tricot knitting.

The Knitting Arts Exhibition, held every two years, is sponsored by the National Association of Hosiery Manufacturers in conjunction with the Underwear Institute and the National Knitting Outerwear Association.

The Whitin display was in the field of the tricot knitting fabrics, a field in which several of our competitors exhibited machines.

Vice-President Harry Moss, assisted by Sales Manager Robert F. Waters and Advertising Manager George F. McRoberts, was in charge of the Whitin exhibit.

Whitin Men Assigned New Positions

Henry R. Bailey, formerly liaison man with Fayscott and the Charlotte Plant, was appointed staff assistant to Mr. M. F. Thompson, controller, on April 6. Born in Weston, Mass., March 10, 1913, Henry graduated from the Middlesex School, Concord, attended Harvard College, and came to the Whitin Machine Works in March, 1934.

During World War II he was a lieutenant (j.g.) in the Naval Reserve and served as fighter direction officer on board the escort carrier *U.S.S. Santee*, seeing action at Guam, the Philippines, New Guinea and Okinawa. While in the service he met and married on December 20, 1945, Miss Nancy S. Snow of Providence, R. I. They and their three children—Sally, age five; Morgan, age three; and Martha, age two; live at 42 Whitin Avenue.

Henry's hobbies are golfing and sailing.

William M. Fraser, who has been assisting on matters concerning H. & B. parts and machines since April 15, 1952, on April 6 assumed the duties of liaison with Fayscott and the Charlotte Plant.

Born in Providence and a graduate of Brown University, class of 1919, Mr. Fraser has had wide experience in industry. He started with the Fales & Jenks Machine Co., became assistant general manager of H. & B. in 1930, vice-president, general manager and director of Atwood Machine Company in 1938, served Saco-Lowell as consultant on their "New Era" spindle during 1947–49, and in 1950 and 1951 was vice-president, general manager and a director of H. & B. From 1945 through 1947 he also was a director of the National Association of Textile Machinery Manufacturers.

He and Mrs. Fraser are planning to move from their present home in Warwick Neck, R. I., to Whitin Avenue about the middle of June. His hobbies are swimming and boating.

He is a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity, of St. John's Lodge A.F. & A.M., Providence R.A.C. No. 1, the Warwick Country Club, the To Kalon Club, Pawtucket, and the Hope Club, Providence.

Robert A. MacDonald was appointed supervisor of the Subcontract Department on April 3, 1953. Since joining the Whitin Machine Works on January 27, 1947, he has served as assistant supervisor of the Subcontract Department and as an assistant divisional superintendent under Harry Lees. Born in Worcester on July 24, 1906, he received his education in the Worcester public schools, and after graduation gained experience at several Worcester plants. From 1935 to 1946 he was employed at the U. S. Naval Torpedo Station, Newport, R. I., as production supervisor.

Robert and Mrs. MacDonald, the former Miss Eulela Golden, of Shrewsbury, make their home at 4 Vanderbilt Avenue, Newport, R. I. They were married on July 5, 1930, and are the parents of two daughters, Carol Ann, age 20, and Janice Dianne, age 17. They plan to move to Whitinsville when Janice completes her schooling.

Bob has two outside interests. He is a member of St. Paul's Lodge, A.F. & A.M. He enjoys photography, taking both color and black and white pictures.

Little League in Full Swing

By James Brosnahan

On Saturday afternoon, May 9, our second Little League season got under way with a double-header at Vail Field, preceded by an appropriate flag-raising ceremony and the throwing out of the first ball by Mr. J. Hugh Bolton, president of the Whitin Machine Works.

Summaries of the two games are given below—Braves and Browns: Both teams scored three runs in the first inning—the game was marked by more or less sloppy play due to first game and opening day tension. In the second inning the Braves went ahead by two runs on solid hitting and picked up another run in the third on pitcher Leo Mahoney's home run. In the top of the sixth the Braves batted around and came up with seven runs, in the last of the sixth the Browns could gain but one run. Final score 13–4.

Flag raising ceremonies on Opening Day of Little League at Vail Field, May 9. Four honorary captains are aided by Charles Malkasian and Henry Rivet, assistant managers of the Phillies

Phillies and Cubs: The first four innings were scoreless and featured a good pitchers' battle. In the fifth the Phillies came up with one run and in the sixth they got three more tallies aided by Heroux's timely hit with the bases loaded. The Cubs scored one run in the last of the sixth as they coupled two hits back to back. Final score 4 to 1. The game was featured by Phil O'Neil's and David St. Martin's stellar pitching.

Due to several factors our attendance was about one half of last year's. Our seating capacity was low on opening day due to circumstances beyond our control. There was no parade or accompanying publicity. These factors tended to bring our program down to earth and allowed it to run on its own merits.

Little League is now an established recreational pastime for the youth of the town. If this program is to succeed it shall do so not by the efforts of a hard-working few but, by the combined efforts of all interested parties which is the basic and avowed foundation of Little League baseball.

The youth of the community who make up the player element of Little League present few if any problems to the managing personnel or managers of the respective teams. Rather, it is the parents and other interested adults which present these groups the problems which can make or break this organization.

I should like to present a few of the facts with which we are confronted at all times in Little League to see if by presenting them we can gain the response and assistance which a program of this sort needs.

First—this is a community project run by interested people in the township. Workers are always needed as scorers, umpires, assistant managers, farm team managers and assistants. In Rockdale we have a situation where a fence must be put up and taken down twice a week. Any and all help is most appreciated and helpful to the League. There is a need for an offer to assist on the part of parents who have children in the League and all others that are interested so that we may make a balanced distribution of work effort.

Another problem which the parents can greatly aid us with is this. We have 250 boys in Little League. Sixty of these boys are handled by our four big teams. This leaves a total of 190 youngsters for our farm system to absorb. Of this 190 youngsters about 80 are capable of playing ball so our farm system ultimately breaks down into four teams of 20 youngsters. What of the remaining 100? This, I fear, is a very sad state of affairs. If we were to take care of this hundred, I fear we would be reduced to "baby sitters." This situation stems from many things. I feel sure they could be broken down as follows: a lack of a public school physical education program and to the greatest extent a very grave and well-indicated lack of instruction and interest on the part of the parents.

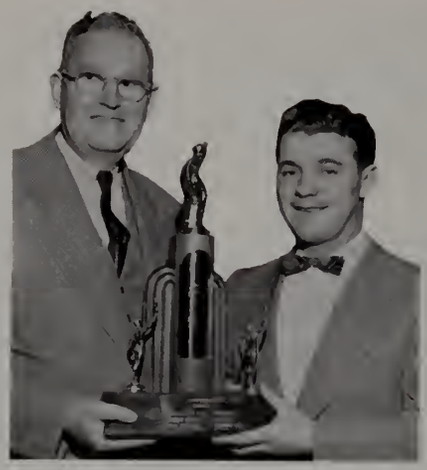
The final situation is a rarity—the heckling of managers by parents as to why their son is not playing. I feel sure that the vast majority of people who have followed our Little League realize we're very well blessed with four of the most conscientious and hard-working managers and assistants which could be found. They are human, and therefore subject to the element of human error. But, as a whole their actions have been for the over-all good. It might be well for the irate mother or father to consider this.

I'm sorry that my first article should be of this nature but, here we are embarking on a most progressive program for the youngsters of our community. First we have a Little League, now there is talk of an Intermediate League. Such a program requires tremendous effort on the part of all. Are they to go for but a year or two while the glamour of newness carries them, or are they going to be permanent organizations aided by understanding and interested parents?

Top: Mr. J. Hugh Bolton throws the first ball. Robert Wood, Little League Treasurer, is on the left

Center: Some of the fathers, mothers, brothers, and sisters who were present at the Opening Day game

Left: The Braves defeated the Browns by a score of 13 to 4 in the opening game at Vail Field. Batting for the Braves is David Piper—Brown's catcher is John Swart and umpire is Bill Healey



Bob Shaw accepts the trophy awarded annually to the winning team from League President, Henry Crawford

The three high average men smiled with pride. From the left: Adam Davidson, Roland Blondin, and Philip Rae

Apprentices Win Bowling Championship

By Henry Crawford

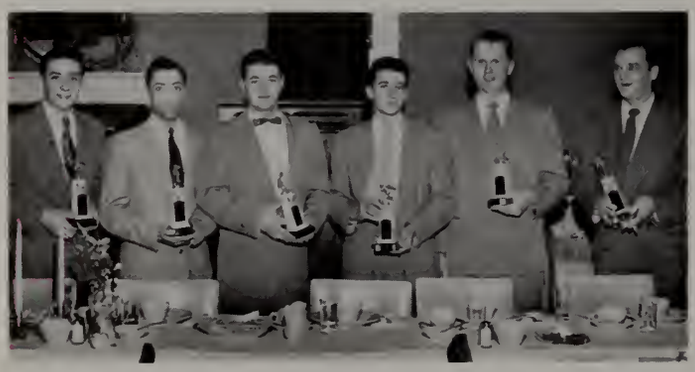
The annual Shop Bowling League Banquet was held at the Colonial Club in Webster, on Wednesday evening, April 29, with 69 present, including guests. The choice of dinners included steak, lobster, turkey and ham, and no complaints were heard relative to the quality or quantity of food provided.

The winner of the second half of the Bowling League was not decided until the final match of the season. The Apprentices, Repair Department and Grinder Job all had a chance to win but the well-balanced Apprentice team managed to take four points from the Freight Office and qualified to meet the Office for the championship. In winning the final match the Apprentices hit the high team total for the year with 1566.

The Apprentices and Office rolled off on Tuesday, April 28, at the Spare Time Alleys and it was nip and tuck until the last five boxes between the last three bowlers. Blondin, Lomartire and Garabedian came through with some fine bowling during this stretch and the Apprentices took the championship.

The most interesting and closest race for the high individual honors in the history of the shop league found Rollie Blondin and Adam Davidson battling it out right down to the last string. Rollie finished on top, duplicating last year's performance, with an average of 103.3 to Adam's 103. It was a great battle between two good sports.

On January 7 Phil Rae hit a three-string total of 377, one of the highest, if not the highest three-string total in the history of the shop league. He was real hot and tied together three nice strings and proved once again that when his fast ball is working anything can happen.



Left: Luke Lomartire warns the other members of the first-place Apprentice team to look at the camera. From the left: Roland Blondin, Richard Garabedian, Bob Shaw, Joseph Zanchetti, John Kortecamp, and Luke Lomartire

Right: The Main Office team, winners of second place, also received individual trophies. From the left: John Mahoney, Ken Benner, Herbert Park, Robert English, Lou Lucier, and Angus Parker

At the head table at the Bowling League banquet were Henry Crawford, President of the League and the guests of honor. From the left: F. O. Rizer, John Cunningham, Henry Crawford, Frank N. Stone, and Raymon Meader

Phil finished with a commendable 101.8 average and was followed closely by Fred Siepietowski with 101.5.

Ray Richard, a newcomer this year, hit the high single for the year on February 4 with 146. Ronnie Magill, who is now in the service, had the second high single with 136.

Individual trophies were presented to the winning Apprentice team and to the second place Office team, as well as to the three bowlers with the highest individual averages. Superintendent John Cunningham donated the trophies for the winning team and made the presentations. He also presented the trophies to the Office team as well as the cash prizes. Frank N. Stone, personnel director, presented the trophies to the high individual average winners, namely Roland Blondin, Adam Davidson and Phil Rae.

The league members are grateful to Jack Cunningham for donating the trophies. We all feel that without his presence at this annual affair something would be missing. No one can do the kind of a job he can in presenting the awards. It is always the highlight of the evening and despite the fact he was below par physically this year, he did his usual bang-up job.

We hope that we can get back to 16 teams before next season's schedule is arranged, and some new teams would be welcomed. Several departments have indicated a desire to bowl next year and additional teams will be accepted in the order of their application.

There were refreshments and good humor to help the time pass

Some of the League members hungrily awaited the arrival of tasty steaks

And finally the soup arrived

Other members of the League just relax while they wait to be served

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

Our personality of the month is Louis R. Veau who was born in Whitinsville on May 8, 1889. He received his education in the Northbridge schools and has also studied blueprint reading and mechanical drawing.

Louis started work at the Foundry in November, 1905, serving his apprenticeship under Charles Moffett. Now in his forty-eighth year in the Foundry, he is a foreman in charge of the brass foundry, stock room, and pattern distribution.

He and Mrs. Veau, the former Lena M. Murphy of Whitinsville whom he married June 4, 1917, now live at 121 Elm Street, Whitinsville.

Some years back Lou played second base in the Blackstone Valley League at the same time that Bump Hadley, Hank Greenburg, and other big-name stars were playing in the league. He also enjoys hunting, fishing, and gardening.

The committee in charge of Planning and Purchasing for the third annual Foundry Supervision clambake has been announced. The committee is composed of Charles Randall, Earl Robbins, Joe Checchi, Edward Jennings, and Jeff Oliver. The event will take place at Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hanson's summer cottage on Hog Island, R. I., on Saturday, August 1.

The following is a list of Civil Defense wardens appointed in the Foundry: Raymon F. Meader, Earl Robbins, John Wile, Robert Hoisington, Walter J. Pendergast, Joseph Checchi, Chester Rymeski, Charles Randall, Robert McKee, John Holewa, Roland A. Hanson, Robert C. Walker, Frank Shugrue, George Morandi, and Armand Roberts.

The following is included in this column for the benefit of anyone who may have missed this notice on the bulletin board:

"In order to present a standard gift to every retiring employee of Department 404—Foundry Division, a Committee has been formed to draw up a plan governing methods of payment, amount of gift, term of service and eligibility.

"After considerable consideration and discussions with our fellow workers, we are offering the following set of rules for your consideration.

"The employee must definitely be retiring from active work, not transferring, or leaving for the purpose of obtaining other work elsewhere.

"The employee must have been employed in Department 404 for ten years or more previous to retirement.

"The amount of the gift, payable by check, to be fifty dollars ($50.00).

"The plan to take effect at the time of its adoption and not to be retroactive.

"The fund to be composed of voluntary contributions of the employees of this department to be taken each month and the money to be deposited in the Whitin Machine Works Credit Union with Armand Roberts and Earl Robbins as trustees.

"The Committee would appreciate your opinion on this plan, and urge you to contact any of its members to express your views on any of its provisions. Signed by Armand Roberts, Chairman; Earl E. Robbins, Secretary; Robert McKee, Varkis Arakelian, Armand Houle, and Chester Rymeski."

At the time of this writing there is a report from the Retiring Gift Committee:

The above plan has been accepted as of May 1, 1953 and the first donation took place on May 15. The net total donation by the employees of Department 404 was $74.10. The Committee wishes to thank everyone for your splendid support and we wish you to know that a record of the names of the men giving and the amount is listed in a record book in the possession of Earl E. Robbins, Secretary and is available at all times to anyone wishing to see it.

On April 24, 1953, Alex P. Gudinowski, who was born July 4, 1884 in Mensk, Poland, and arrived in America April 15, 1912, retired from the foundry after 34 years' service. On November 6, 1916, he married the former Mary Strnt of Whitinsville. Mr. and Mrs. Gudinowski own their own home on the Linwood-Providence Rd., Whitinsville. He lists gardening as his hobby. Alex, all your many friends here wish you all the luck in the world in your retirement and may you enjoy many, many years of good health. Special mention must be made in behalf of the efforts of the following men who made the donation collection: Emile Patenaude, Richard Lachapelle, Lee Allen, Alva Lemoine, Leonard Plasse, and David Greene. The presentation was made by Mr. Roland Hanson.

If you should ever wonder how hard it is to receive one's citizenship papers ask Bouke DeLang. He had a book of questions a foot thick and he spent many months studying this. He certainly did not mind the effort if it would finally earn him his citizenship. He was told finally to report to Worcester Superior Court, April 13, 1953. They asked him four or five questions that were very easy to answer. He thought they were just warming up. But he was told that he was now a citizen of the United States. He's still stunned! "It vas easy!" And he sounds as if he still doesn't believe it. . . . Kirkor Kotoian also went through the same experience on the same day. Congratulations, fellows.

Alex P. Gudinowski received a purse from his fellow-workers when he retired from the Foundry on April 21. The presentation was made by Assistant Superintendent Roland Hanson. Photograph by Gerard Brouillette

Mrs. Virginia Applegate John, daughter of Benjamin Applegate, Foundry, was photographed in native costume at Kanpur, India, where she was a missionary

We hope that by the time this appears that Joseph Carter and James McCray who are out ill will be back with us. . . . It's nice to have Clarence Brown and Joseph Benoit back with us after recovering from recent illnesses. . . . We want to wish Normand Vadenais and Roland Dionne all the luck in the world. They both entered the service recently. . . . Congratulations to the following men who recently received their five-year service pins from Mr. Raymon F. Meader: Normand Tessier, Donald Bigwood, and Leonard Hazzard.

DEPARTMENT 411

by Lois Heerdt

We are happy to have Paul Chilipian, Horace Breault, Gideon Lauzon, Bernard Boover, and Charles Noroian back with us again. These fellows have been out because of illness. William Swift is out on sick leave now. We sure hope you'll be back with us again soon, Bill.

We understand that Aime Dion is taking orders for power-mowers. He tells us that the one he has did a pretty good job around the yard. It cut down a cable and fence. Not so bad, Aime! We certainly will know where to go when we want our front lawns trimmed. . . . If anyone is interested in bargains, I'm sure that Ken McMahon could be of service to you. He showed us a pair of shoes that he bought for ten cents. They're not bad for a dime, Ken. Why don't you let us in on some of these de luxe bargains? . . . Our department is planning a little fishing trip on June 20. Bill Mayberry is in charge. Don't forget, Bill, they're not all sailors like yourself!

Dave Gray is planning to move into his new home in a few weeks. That is if his wife doesn't change her mind again. It seems that everytime they are about to move, she decides to set the date ahead! Cheer up, Dave, you'll get there eventually.

TIN CYLINDER JOB

by Wilbur Baird

Attention Mr. Marlin Perkins, Director of the Lincoln Park Zoo: Do you need a snake charmer for your Zoo Parade program? We have such a person in our midst, for Assistant Foreman Carl Bosma has won quite a reputation by capturing the reptiles. Carl spends most of his noon hour hunting for snakes on the riverbank at the back of the Linwood Mill, where he recently captured a specimen 54 inches long and four inches in diameter. P.S.: He pursues this hobby alone, for as yet we have no volunteers who wish to join him on his expeditions.

Al Ducharme, who drives the big new trailer truck used to transport freight to and from the main plant, is so proud of the machine that he keeps the cab in shining condition. The other day he was seen wiping the truck down in a rainstorm.

Congratulations to Gordon Demague on receiving his 30-year pin on May 12. Mr. J. Hugh Bolton, Mr. Erik Pierson, and Mr. John Cunningham came to the department to make the presentation. . . . We are glad to see Carl Bosma return after an illness of several days' length. . . . Those of our employees who like to spend the noon hour sleeping were disturbed from their rest on Tuesday, May 12, when the new alarm whistle of the Linwood Mill was tried out.

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

All those eager to find out what happened on the recent deep-sea fishing expedition from the Bolster Job see L. Harding. The boys couldn't go out too far, and couldn't catch anything big. Al Houle was at home patiently waiting for a piece of salmon, but no salmon. Some of those from the job who went were: L. Harding, M. Swiscz, W. Griffith, L. Duhamel, and Ray Fortier, also D. Sabatino.

Three of our employees this year represent a total of 110 years of service at Whitin: John Wasiuk, 50 years; Richard Baker, 30 years; and Dorio Boulanger, 30 years. Speaking of John Wasiuk, we wish him a speedy recovery from his illness in the hospital. . . . A welcome back to Flora Grennon and Jake Frankian who have rejoined us after a short illness.

Our former timekeeper, Ed Garabedian, recently graduated from Officer Training School at Newport with the rank of ensign and was one of the top men in his class. . . . The former Harriet Malkasian paid us a surprise visit and told me to give all those she did not see a very special hello. . . . We wish to extend a welcome to Kenneth Blackmore who has joined our department.

Donald Kosiak is umpiring in Little League games in Bellingham. . . . Ed Landry and George Sesona are looking a little better since the sun has been shining on their large gardens. . . . Bizar Hagopian was one of the many who took in the first Red Sox night game.

Louis R. Veau is the Foundry personality of the month. Photograph by Gerard Brouillette

SPINNING FLOOR, CARD ERECTING, AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

The alert the other A.M. sort of makes you wonder, doesn't it? This set-up of wardens, auxiliary police, firemen, etc., has undergone a local survey for the last 18 months. Watch your bulletin boards for anything new, or keep in touch with your wardens: Ernest Pickup, Clint White, Ponto Horan, for Department 433; Ben Scott, Jim Scott, Leo Paul Gamelin, for Department 448; Ed Marshall, Chico Alix, Ed Baker, for Department 448B; Dick Williams, Joe Gauvin, Pete Young, for Department 444; Mike Feen, Frank Convent, Fred Nolet, for Department 430.

Learned suddenly that Arthur Wright of Department 444 had retired. We are going to miss having him around, he always had a cheery good morning or good afternoon for everyone. Since starting here in 1909 Arthur worked for Emery Burbank on the Loom Job, Sidney White on Lickerin Rolls, and for the last 36 years was employed on the Card Erecting Floor. Mr. and Mrs. Wright, who reside on Main Street, Whitinsville, have three sons employed at Whitin: John, electrician, in Department 470; Harold, foreman, in Department 443; and Norman, editor of the SPINDLE. From a note I received from Arthur recently I quote: "I received a purse of money from the boys and I wish to thank Fred Langlois, Joe Gauvin, Hugh Brown, Dick Williams, the men in the Pratt-Whitney Grinder Department, the men on the Card Floor and anyone else concerned in making this gift possible. Thanks again and good luck to you all. Signed: Arthur Wright." All your friends wish you good luck too, Arthur.

John Stanovitch of Department 444 received his 30-year pin last month from Company officials. John, or Stan as he is better known, started as a truck driver in the Yard and was one of the first drivers to deliver textile machinery by truck. After 15 years of truck driving he entered the Shop and learned to erect wool frames and pickers. He is now employed in the Pratt and Whitney

When, after 50 years at the Whitin Machine Works, Broer DeVries retired on April 24 the members of the Roll Job gave him an electric drill and attachments in order to help him keep busy around his home workshop. Divisional Superintendent Donald Sangster made the presentation

Grinder Department. John has two sons in the Whitin Machine Works: Ray is a wood pattern maker, and John, Jr., is learning to be a die maker.

John, Sr., enjoys watching all sports and before having trouble with one of his feet was known as a good bowler. "That OLD Merchants' League, John, eh? still think you or I owe the house a thin dime on that last one we rolled against one another."

CARD SMALL PARTS AND CYLINDERS

by Millie Turgeon

Let's first say "so long" to these fellows who have left our department: To Ralph Pickering, Fred Thompson, and Harold Hoekstra who have been transferred to Department 420; to Roland Graves who has gone to Research; and to Cornelius Hourihan who has been laid off. Department 419 also wishes to say "so long" to Hollis Booth who has been transferred to the Tool Job, and to Bill White who has been laid off. While speaking of 419, Fred Baarda of that department recently took a trip to Philadelphia to visit relatives. Back to Department 422! Last month the report was sent in and published that Henry Beaudoin and Sid Daubney went to the Knitting Machine Show in Atlantic City. At the time the report went in (a week ahead of the trip) such were the plans, but during the ensuing week some changes were made. The above trip was actually made by Henry Beaudoin, Bill Hobart, Tommy Stevenson, and Bobby Holmes. (Resolved: Never to report on an event until after it happens!)

In the report of the last Glee Club Concert, our boss Tommy Stevenson's name was unintentionally omitted, so this time he was the only one from our job taking part in the recent Glee Club Concert held in the Town Hall, May 18, at which a variety of selections were sung. Henry Gosselin who usually sings with the Glee Club was unable to take part this time due to a fall down stairs resulting in two broken ribs. He had to be strapped up so tightly he was unable to breathe deeply enough to sing properly. . . . Birthday greetings to Rita Deome, our stock clerk, who celebrates on June 6 and to Dick Sanderson on the 20th.

Grand Finale of the Bowling Season

The Whitinsville Women's Bowling League wound up their season by enjoying their third annual banquet Wednesday evening, April 29, at Chicken Pete's in Milford. After the dinner, our president, Mrs. Agnes Spence, greeted the girls, then introduced the master of ceremonies, Mr. Dutton Alden. After a few words, he in turn introduced our guest speakers, Representative Charles "Luke" Driscoll and Mr. "Jack" Bolton, Jr. All did a grand job adding humorous remarks which resulted in never a dull moment.

Numerous trophies were awarded by the M.C. and guests. Championship trophies were awarded to each member of the Navy Team comprised of Rita Deome, Ruth Desjourdy, Louise Oolovgian, Gert Conrad, Agnes Spence, and Millie Turgeon. Runner-up trophies were awarded to each girl on the Waves Team, which included Pat Veccione, "Widgie" Esposito, Ann Mantell, Bertha Bardon, Wanda Janton, and "Tootie" Goulet. Trophies for seasonal records were awarded. Each girl on the Navy Team received a prize for the record high team triple total of 1759, while each of the Waves received a prize for high team single string total of 619.

Individual seasonal record awards went to Wanda Janton (Waves) for a three string total of 337 and to Mary Cooper (Army) for a single string of 135. Awards for high average, high triple, and high single on each team were made to the following: Army Team—High average, Veronica Mahoney, 93.3; high triple, Mary Cooper, 309; and high single, Sara DerSarkisian, 124. (Mary Cooper actually held high single at 135, but as she received the team high triple trophy, she was not eligible for team high single.)

A summary of the other awards is given below:

Navy Team—Team high triple award, Agnes Spence, 322; team high single award—Gert Conrad, 124. Sea Bees Team—high average, Evelyn Johnson, 91.0; high triple, Dot Boudreau, 313; high single, Gladys Leitch, 124. Spars Team—High average, Verkin Arakelian, 88.9 (incidentally she was commended for having made the greatest improvement in her average over last year. Rita Deome of the Navy Team was also mentioned as having made the second greatest improvement in her average); high triple, Louise Sohigian (better known as "Arsh,"), 309; high single, Mary Frieswyck, 113. Waes Team—High average, Fran Haringa, 91.3; high triple, Louise O'Connell, 323; high single, Rose Coporale, 132. Waves Team—High average, "Tootie" Goulet, 92.8; high triple, Wanda Janton, 337; high single, Bertha Bardon, 124.

There were also 30 or more weekly cash prizes awarded with duplicate prizes for ties. Our officers and speakers did a wonderful job—our hats are off to them, and here's looking forward to another successful season next year.

Dancing followed to the music of Ernie Pouliot and his band. All enjoyed the hokey pokey, Mexican hat dance, waltzes, fox trots, some jitterbugging, rhumbas and tap dance. The men (guests) were outnumbered about 15 to 1. There was no sitting out for them! So long, 'til next season.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

Our personality this month is Stanley Krula supervisor of shipping on the night shift. Stanley, who was an aviation chief radioman on flying torpedo planes in the Pacific Theater for four years, has had many exciting war experiences. He was rescued from the ocean on three different occasions. On his last mission from the ill fated U.S.S. "Yorktown" he was sitting in his plane waiting for orders to take off. Suddenly the Japs bombed the flat top in a surprise attack. The "Yorktown" was soon enveloped in a mass of flames and the noise from the exploding bombs was so loud that orders could not be heard. The crew finally did take off and made a skirmish over Japan but on the return trip they were forced to land in the ocean. Up to this time Stanley especially enjoyed swimming but after so many hours floating in the ocean he confesses that his love for the water has vanished. For his part in the war effort Stanley received the U. S. Air Medal and two Presidential Citations. He has now taken up Ham radio and his call letters are W1YCX running on 80 to 40 meters. His son Kenneth, age six, is learning right along with his dad and to date they have contacted 46 stations and expect to be going on 20 meters soon, thus enlarging the field of new acquaintances.

Stanley, with the assistance of his father-in-law, built his own home in Saundersville.

We salute this man as an all-around good fellow and wish him success in his new hobby.

A prenuptial shower was held at the home of Rita Turcotte on May 23 in honor of Miss Pauline Bellerose whose wedding to Raymond Richard took place on June 6. Pauline was presented a lamp. Those who attended were: Helen Conway, Louise Zywien, Charlotte Ingham, Mildred Cook, Barbara McFarlane, Mary Hayward, Rita Picard, Eleanor Ebbeling, Sari Devlin, Adrienne Landry, Katherine Kearnan, Phyllis Lemoine, Nancy Britton, Virginia Gervais, Beatrice Carpenter, Lorraine Dufault, Beverly Keefe, Mickey Brennan, Janet McCabe and Rita Turcotte.

GENERAL MACHINING

by Jim Magowan and Ken Harrington

Birthday greetings this month go to Edward Krajewski, Leo Mullins, Tom Tycks,

Stanley Krula, of the Shipping Department, spends his leisure moments at home operating his short wave radio. He enjoys talking with his many friends around the country

Kenneth, age 6, is as interested as his father in the short wave radio

John Drainville, John Megerdichian, and Douwe Fekkes. . . . Wedding anniversary congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Roireau, Mr. and Mrs. Hector Roy, Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Krajewski.

Well, at last it happened. Fleet-footed, glue-gloved, Larry Metivier, the best left fielder in the softball league committed his first error. He just couldn't hold a routine fly ball. Tch, tch, Larry. . . . Speaking of softball, we are in a dismal ninth place. My only wish now is to have them shorten the game from seven innings to three and one half innings and then no team could whip us. . . . By the time this issue comes out, this department will have enjoyed its first deep-sea fishing trip. The details about the 20 "salts" who are going to try their luck will come later.

A hearty and sincere welcome is extended to the many new faces on the job. They are too numerous to mention but we hope they enjoy their stay.

BOX JOB

by Bernice M. Werth

We welcome Roland Bilodeau back on the job after a temporary transfer to Department 411. . . . We really missed Paul Grenon for several weeks in May while he was on jury duty. . . . Our timekeeper, Lucy Ross, has moved into her new apartment on Church Street and is enjoying her own cooking again. Lots of happiness in your new home, Lucy. . . . We miss Pat Britt, who is now in Department 113, but are glad to hear that he likes his new job. . . . Ralph Nolet is a member of a crack shop softball team which has won four out of six games played so far. Naturally, we know that Ralph is responsible for the victories!

Paul Roy and Benny Oles have wedding anniversaries in June, and Joe Lemieux celebrates his in July. Many happy returns, boys. . . . Since June is traditionally the most popular month for marriages, you single men ought to take the step, because according to statistics married men live longer than their single brothers. Of course, some men claim that they don't really live longer—it only seems longer!

Vacation time has come and gone. We hope you all had a very pleasant and relaxing time.

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

Alton Ramsay is stationed at Camp Rucker, Ala. . . . Kenny Johnson is with the infantry in Korea. . . . Jake Sohigian attended the Knights of Columbus Patriots' Day banquet in Boston. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Elie were honored at a 25th anniversary party in Artisan Hall, Worcester. . . . Anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hanley, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Whittlesey, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Simmons. . . . Our softball team has won four games and lost none. Keep up the good work, fellows, and we'll have another trophy in our office. . . . We wish speedy recoveries to Florence Zeroogian, Sadie Clossen, Wilfred Elie, and John Campbell.

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREWS

by Bill Scanlon

Mr. and Mrs. John O'Neill celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 28 at a dinner party at the Bocce Club, Woonsocket. About 85 friends and relatives attended the celebration. John, who has been employed at Whitin for the past 19 years, is still actively employed despite his 72 years.

Paul Chapdelaine, a member of Erle Simmons' department, celebrated his 59th birthday with a reception at his home. Paul, who is known for his ability as a boxer, formerly gave boxing exhibitions for charity, and is still quite active at the sport. Good luck, Paul, and may you have many more years to come.

The Garage has added two more names to their list of fishermen. Foreman Joe Prendergast and Maurice Morin have selected and bought their tackle. This summer they plan on catching some big ones. . . . Pete Prymak has returned from a three-day trip to Lake Champlain where he attended the wedding of his cousin.

Paul Chapdelaine still enjoys putting on the boxing gloves despite his 59 years of age

CHUCK JOB AND AUTOMATICS

by Dot Antoian

Our softball team has played four games to date with the following results: Lost to Department 429 (22-12), Department 423 (12-1), Department 494 (9-6), and defeated Department 434 (28-9). Doug Farley, Walt Krupski, and Bob Pelletier are leading the hitting attack, and Pelletier has also turned in several fine defensive plays. My apologies to Henry Giguere for omitting his name from the roster in the last column. Believe me, Henry, it was unintentional.

Congratulations to Cornelius VanBrug who received his 30-year service pin and George Hoekstra who received his 25-year pin. The presentations were made by Mr. J. Hugh Bolton, Mr. John Cunningham, and Mr. Erik Pierson on May 12.

We extend get well wishes and mythical bouquets to George Bouley who underwent surgery at the Woonsocket Hospital and to Marion Larsen who is resting comfortably at home after her recent illness. Also, we are sorry to hear that Ed Forsythe's mother broke her leg when she slipped on the kitchen floor during her housecleaning chores. She was at Worcester Memorial Hospital for a few weeks, and although she is now at home, will be unable to walk on that leg for five months. . . . Get well wishes are also extended to Walter Ballou who has been on the sick list for several weeks. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Mullen of Westboro, on the observance of their 28th wedding anniversary on May 18. . . . Birthday wishes to George Bouley, inspector, who celebrated on May 16.

Charles "Rusty" Malkasian, one of the most interesting characters in the department, is again working as a coach for the Phillies of the Little League. "Rusty" has always been interested in baseball and played semi-pro ball before an arm injury caused his retirement from the game. Now, with Fran Lash, he works several evenings a week with the youngsters, and is doing a marvelous job.

Paul Rutana, Spindle Job personality, is building a home in Manchaug

COMBER JOB

by Harold Leoncini

It has been rumored that Archie Fournier and Aimo Audio are again playing golf. We regret that their scores have not yet been made public. . . . We will miss the late Oliver Benoit, for with us he was "tops." He had served in World War I and was a member of the American Legion. . . . Joseph Majeau has returned after 36 months in the service. Joe spent 19 months in Japan as a sergeant in the Quartermaster Corps.

Paul Devlin has recovered from his leg infection. . . . Stephen Machoian has purchased a 1950 Oldsmobile and plans to drive it to Arizona during vacation. . . . Ask Varkis Egsegian about the fish narrative. . . . "Things are looking different," said Will Ryan after he was fitted with spectacles. . . . A welcome back to George Catterson, who is looking well after his hospitalization.

SPINDLE JOB

by Ed Bates

Personality of the Month: Paul Rutana started work on this job in July, 1933, doing various tasks. He now does dial straightening of spindle blades. Born in Whitinsville, he attended the Northbridge schools. Paul is married to Kathleen Laythe of Manchaug. They have two children, Frances and Kathleen. Paul is enjoying building his own home in Manchaug. His sports are hunting and fishing, also he has played the guitar for about 12 years with Art Barsey's Orchestra. He is a graduate of Worcester Conservatory of Music.

Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Arguin, married on April 18, spent their honeymoon touring Sherbrooke and Quebec, returning through Maine. They are now making their home in Blackstone, Mass. . . . Andrew Trasavage is still not working. . . . Stanley Rutana, of the spindle job, has been seen helping his brother at the Jenney Gas Station at Plummer's Corner.

We would like to give a plug for some business to Raymond Chauvin, who has recently leased a Socony gas station across the street from Labonte's Market in Linwood, formerly leased by Viccone.

Edwin S. Stevens of East Douglas was presented a certificate of service rendered for service to boyhood through Scouting for 15 years. This certificate was awarded on April 23, 1953, by Worcester Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Now that Red Kershaw has gone into sheep raising, anybody wishing to order pure wool blankets, can leave his orders with John VanDyke. (P.S.: there are only three sheep at present, so don't rush the orders.) . . . Better late than never—On April Fool's day John Cnossen found out it was spring; a bee got inside his pants. For the remainder of that day, John could have used a pillow to sit on.

SUPPLY ROOM

On Tuesday, May 12, Charles Brown of the Supply Room received his 30-year pin from Mr. J. Hugh Bolton, Mr. Erik Pierson, and Mr. John Cunningham.

The Supply Room boasts of the fine consecutive service record of their other employees. The seven members of this group have been employed by Whitin a total of 197 years. The employees and their service periods are as follows: Thomas G. Hamilton, 46 years; John E. Connors, 36 years; H. I. Dalton, 36 years; S. J. Magill, 33 years; C. Brown, 30 years; Lorraine DeFosse, 8 years; and Margaret Robinson, 8 years.

ROVING SMALL PARTS, ERECTING, FLYER JOB AND SCRAPERS

by Mary Hugley

John Dziob and Rudolph Coutu have left us to return to their former duties on the Polishing Job and George Cote has returned to his former work in Department 426. . . . We have a new home owner, Joseph Jacques, who has purchased a cottage on Main Street, Rockdale. . . . Marcel Lustenburg is sporting a '51 Nash Statesman.

Although his discharge papers were delayed for nearly a month, Milton Murray has now rejoined us at work. . . . A hearty welcome to Joseph Defoe who has returned from a sick leave of several months' duration. . . . Birthday greetings go this month to Fred Tucker, Charles Devries, Peter Osyf, and Raymond Allaire.

The case of Fred Kramer's missing potatoes has at last been solved! While driving his car on Church Street Fred noticed that the motor was skipping, stopped the car, and lifted the hood. There, scattered about the motor, were the long lost spuds. The culprit was a rat.

Our stock clerk, Joan Lincoln, recently received a wrist watch as a surprise gift from her husband. . . . We are proud of our softball team. Keep up the good work, boys! . . . The girls in Crib No. 11 recently enjoyed an evening at The Meadows in Framingham.

These girls, of Crib No. 11, recently enjoyed an evening at The Meadows in Framingham. From the left: Connie Maynard, Louise Orrell, Ann Limanek, and Lila Arnold

Fred Rondeau, Tool Job personality, played baseball, basketball, and football prior to his graduation from Northbridge High

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

Personality of the Month: Fred Rondeau was born in North Uxbridge in 1922 and attended four grades in the Good Shepherd School in Linwood before moving to Whitinsville in 1932. From then on he went to the local schools and graduated from Northbridge High in 1941, where he played baseball, basketball, and football.

Fred entered Whitins in June, 1941, on the Screw Job, but he only worked until August, 1942, when he enlisted in the Navy. While in the Navy he served on the U.S.S. "St. Louis" and L.S.T. 31. In May, 1946, Fred came back to the Tool Job.

In 1950, he married the former Joyce Boutilier and they have one daughter, Christine, who is a year old. Fred enjoys a fast game of table tennis or a good day of golf. Last year he played on the Tool Job softball team and had a season batting average of 266.

Darrell Burroughs (repair man) has a female cat and about every three months there is an ad on the bulletin board offering free kittens. He must have gotten tired of finding homes for the kittens because he is now looking for a home for the old mother cat.

The two new men in the cutter grinding room are Valmore Deslauriers and Hollis Booth. Val lives in Linwood with his wife and two children and has worked in the Whitin Machine Works seven years on Department 441. He served in the U. S. Army during World War II and likes golf and fishing.

Hollis is married, lives in Blackstone, and has one child. He worked in Woonsocket Worsted Co. from 1934, until January, 1953, when he went to work on Department 419. A machine shop in his cellar takes some of his spare time, but he also likes sail and motor boating.

The efficiency of the fire trucks has been hampered by many motorists who cut in front of the fire trucks while on their way to a fire. After several of these incidents were mentioned at the fire station, Fire Chief Walker instructed his men to report offenders. En route to the next fire, Roger O'Keefe, driver of Engine 1 witnessed a car pulling right out in front of his truck and he got the registration number. Later at the fire station, O'Keefe reported this number to headquarters. The owner of that car turned out to be Fire Chief P. B. Walker!

Al Moran, Mike Petrowicz, and Russ Bailey spent a week end in retreat at St. Joseph's Abbey in Spencer, Mass. Here the Cistercian Order of the Strict Observance pursues a life of devotion according to the rigid austerity of its rules. They inspected the nearly completed abbey which has been under construction for the past year and marvelled at the great beauty of this edifice which is patterned after European church architecture of the 12th Century. They were also highly impressed with the high altar in the main church which is a 16-ton solid block of radio black marble quarried from an island in Lake Champlain. Their retreat was highlighted by a visit with Lefty Brochu (formerly of the Bolster Job), who is known in the Trappist order as Brother Gabrial.

We wish Harvey Departie a speedy recovery. Harvey has been ill for some time and we miss seeing him around the job.

STEEL FABRICATING AND CUTTING-OFF JOB

by Marion Metcalf

We are very proud of Mr. and Mrs. George Castelli of Uxbridge, who became proud citizens of our great United States on May 4. They came here from England in 1947 and it proves that they didn't waste any time in earning a privilege to remain here. A small American flag was presented to George by the fellows of 432 and congratulations were extended by all. We wish you many happy and loyal years.

We wish to extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gervais, who celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary on May 14. Also to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Yozura on their 11th anniversary which they celebrated the 16th of May.

I would like to have you meet Pasquale DeBellis, better known to many as "Pat," who was born on January 6, 1911, in New York City, and started his first years of school in Public School No. 11. From there he entered DeWitt Clinton High School and graduated in 1928. After spending two years at New York University as a pre-med student, Pat proved to his family that he was never meant to be a doctor so he transferred his interests to Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, studying for one year as a mechanical engineer. In 1931 Pat moved to Providence, R. I., and entered Brown University for a brush-up course in mathematics, and later went to the College of Pharmacy in Providence. On June 18, 1934, the former Dorothy R. Deslauriers of Woonsocket became Mrs. DeBellis. Shortly after this they moved to Woonsocket and Pat reported for work at the Randolph-James Jewelry Co. and a little later he became foreman of their press department. A better opportunity gave Pat a chance to join the Stackbin Corporation of Pawtucket, R. I., also as foreman of their press department, where he stayed for 13 years. On January 9, 1950, Pat came to Department 432 of the Whitin Machine Works, and has been connected with many parts of this work but always with his specialty—press work. His hobbies are many, such as traveling, music, reading; but his favorite hobby is enlarging and beautifying his summer home at Narragansett Bay.

George Castelli of Department 432 was presented with the flag of the United States when he became a United States citizen on May 4

Alfred J. Montville, Jr., the overhead crane operator of 410 and 432, proudly accepted his 30-year service pin which was presented to him by Mr. J. H. Bolton and congratulations were also extended by Mr. J. H. Cunningham and Mr. Erik Pierson. "Pete," as he is better known, for 23 years worked outside as operator of the electric locomotive, but for the past five years has been operating the overhead crane here. He married the former Ester B. Ballard, and they have three fine sons, Edward is married and lives in Pawtucket, R. I., and Willard and Donald at home in Northbridge. His father, Alfred J. Montville, Sr., has worked in Department 460 for 13 years.

NICKEL-PLATING AND PARKERIZING

by Bill Healy

Congratulations to Ralph Cutler, age 72, who was presented a 30-year pin for dependable and honest service. Present were J. Hugh Bolton, J. H. Cunningham, and Erik Pierson. Ralph, who lives with his son Herb in Upton, plans on expanding his farming activities when he retires.

We welcome back Willy Vaughn who is well on the road to recovery after being hospitalized. Willy, whose hobby is gardening, has three children, John, guard at the plant, Hazel, and Wilfred, also six grandchildren. Willy was recently presented a five-year pin.

Good luck and good health to Jacob Jellesma who retired from the Nickel Plating Room. Mr. Jellesma was presented a purse of money by Ernie Lawson, foreman. Jake plans to spend a lot of time fishing.

The department wishes Bob Boulais' five-year-old daughter a speedy recovery after her recent eye operation.

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

The Ring Job Bowling League finished its season with a banquet at the Klondike Inn on May 14, at which time prizes were awarded. The teams finished in this order: Yankees, C. Ebbeling, captain; White Sox, J. Witek, captain; Red Sox, W. Lawton, captain; and Indians, E. Tremblay, captain. Joe Witek (proficient in fishing also) had high average, 93.9; Florus Ebbeling had high single, 135; and John Spencer, high three, 327. Congratulations to the winners, and better luck next time to the cellar-dwellers.

At the banquet given to 40- and 50-year employees, three of our boys were recipients of 40-year pins—Clinton Babson, Arthur Lawrence, and Peter Kooistra. Congratulations from all of us to you old-timers. . . . Messrs. Bolton, Pierson, and Cunningham also presented a 30-year pin to Gerard Larochelle a few days later. Nos. felicitations. (We learned French for this occasion, Gerard.) . . . Harry Bailey took a quick trip to our nation's capital the week end of May 10. Ring Jobbers get around. . . . Walter Lawton's presence at the bowling banquet was conspicuous by his absence. After a series of trials and tribulations, he decided 8:30 was too late to make his entrance.

It's nearing time to look at the road maps again for such out-of-the-way places as Keene Valley, Vinal Haven, Laurel Lake, Lake Nipmuc, Point Judith, and California. . . . We neglected to welcome back our timekeeper, Bill Malley, who through nostalgia, or despondency decided to re-inhabit these parts. Mountain air is always better, Bill. (We are the highest above sea level of any department in the plant.) We also wish Bob Theroux luck in his new job at the Cast Iron Room. . . . When Albert "Tony" Bouchard came to work t'other day with two long scratches on his nose, we knew the razor didn't slip as he does not shave his nose. Inquiries revealed that while trying to referee a cat fight, one of the opponents became blinded and mistook our Tony for his adversary. We don't see any resemblance.

Personality: Beryle Doble, one of our ring turners, who has been with Whitin Machine Works for 11 years, was born in Kingman, Maine, September 19, 1901. He lives in Highland Park, Linwood, with his wife and family, two girls and two boys. Helen, who was recently married, and Marion both worked on the Ring Job. The two boys are in school. Beryle is Master of Uxbridge Grange, Senior Warden of Solomon's Temple Lodge, A.F. and A.M., Trustee of Orion Chapter O.E.S., member St. Elmo Chapter, R.A.M., member of North Uxbridge Baptist Church. When asked what he did in his spare time, I was told he worked at Whitin's. We think he has a full life. He also belongs to Uxbridge Square and Compass Club, and is a member of the Finance Committee of the Ring Job Benefit Club.

Your reporter is not under the affluence of incohol as much as some thinkle seem to peep.

Arthur Leavitt, Picker Job personality of the month, enjoys gardening and spectator sports

PICKER AND SPINNING AND SYNTHETIC TWISTER SMALL PARTS

by Grace Bedrosian

Our personality of the month is Arthur C. Leavitt, assistant foreman of Department 443, who has 39 years of service at Whitin. Arthur was born in 1897 in Waldoboro, Maine, where he also attended public schools. His first job was assisting an engineer to survey roads in Maine.

In August of 1914, Arthur moved to Whitinsville and started working at Whitin. Before being called into the Army in 1918, where he served until the signing of the Armistice, he worked on the Comber Job and in the Foundry. After his discharge from the Army, he returned to the Foundry and the following year came to the Picker Department. In 1920 Arthur started work as a roadman setting up picker machinery, which included work on various erecting floors, until his promotion to assistant foreman of Department 443 in 1939.

Arthur and Mrs. Leavitt, the former Delia Connors of Whitinsville, were married on May 29, 1918, and presently reside at 32 A Street. He is a charter member of American Legion Post No. 111, and is a member of the Garden Club and Whitco Foreman's Club. Arthur's leisure time activities include gardening and spectator sports.

Hector Sauve, set-up man on Department 421, had a very eventful day when he decided to get his porch screens painted recently. First he knocked over a gallon of paint, next the turpentine, and then, while backing his car out of the garage to go after more paint, he ripped his garage door off the hinges! Some would call it quits, but not Hector. Coming out of the store with the newly purchased paint, he tripped at the curbing and toppled, paint and all, into the street. Wonder if he ever did get up enough courage to tackle the job again?

Members of Department 446 extend "get-well" wishes to Annie Robertson. At this writing, Annie is a patient at Whitinsville Hospital but we hope to see her back on the job again soon. . . . Many happy returns to the following who are celebrating birthdays in June: Mary Kostka, John Brezniak, Elwin Salley, Lucien Vivequin, San Finney, John VanderBaan, and Daniel Hill.

The scraping section in Department 421 has seen quite a few changes recently. Donald White was transferred and is now caretaker of the Gym grounds. Roland Blondin and Ernie Vandal have left us on a loan-out basis to the Inspection Department and the Tool Job respectively, and John DeSantis, who is temporarily laid-off, is now working at General Motors in Framingham. We all wish these boys the best of luck in their new jobs.

WOOD PATTERN

by Vera Taylor

Personality of the Month: Francis L. Joslin was born May 1, 1901, in Millbury, Mass. He attended public school in Millbury until he was 12 years old. At this time he moved to Worcester where he graduated from Canterbury Street School and spent one year at South High School. When he reached the age of 14, he changed to Worcester Boys Trade School where he took a course in wood pattern making. He graduated in 1919 and came to Whitin Machine Works in 1924 and has worked here ever since, moving here permanently in June, 1924.

He was married in November, 1921, and has three children and seven grandchildren.

Frank, a grandson and son-in-law of Civil War veterans, has followed the G.A.R. Memorial Day Parades in Millbury and Worcester since he was six years old. His son follows him now as Frank used to follow his father while decorating the graves. He has had charge of the largest section of Hope Cemetery on Memorial Day for several years.

Sports in general are his hobby but he never seems to have time enough for hunting and fishing which he particularly enjoys.

The Lawrence Gilmores are having graduation week end June 4 through June 7. Nancy, their daughter, will graduate on Thursday night from Northbridge High School. On June 6 and 7 they will travel to Northfield, Vt., to attend the commencement exercises of their son, Harold, from Norwich University.

Ernest Kroll attended a bowling banquet recently and we understand he had more trouble with that steak than the "cowboys" at the rodeo in Providence had when the Brahma bulls broke loose. Anyway, Dagwood, you wore it well. . . . Congratulations to Robert Bosworth! The Suggestion Committee recently awarded him $25 for a safety suggestion. Bob received the award from Donald L. Sangster, Divisional Superintendent, in the presence of David Longmuir. . . . Birthdays for June include Edward Plante and Clarence Visser. . . . Anniversaries for the traditional bridal month are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Houghton, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Fournier, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Newcombe, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McGovern, and Mr. and Mrs. Donat Bileau. Florence and Donat Bileau both work for Department 401. Congratulations, everyone!

Clarence Visser spent a recent week end in New Hampshire following his favorite sport—fishing. . . . Al Sutcliffe has been champing at the bit while all these wonderful

wet week ends have mournfully dragged by, so too, have Bob Bosworth, Julian Masson, and Pat McGovern. These are our garden enthusiasts. . . . Bob Shaw and Ray Stanovich, the perennial softball addicts, will no doubt be out on the diamond as soon as weather permits. . . . Then there are the golfers, Wilfred Whitney, Archie Fournier, and Bob Gonynor as well as the aforementioned Pat McGovern and Bob Shaw. Now that bowling is all over and the weather has improved (we hope) these outdoor activities will be in full force. Last but not least, let us not forget the indoor sports who will inevitably argue baseball.

John Vanderzee went to Chicago for a short visit. He and Mrs. Vanderzee enjoyed staying with their daughter and family. . . . Ray Fullerton is planning a trip to Florida this month. He also expects a visit from his son, James, and his daughter-in-law, not to mention his five-months-old grandson.

The Spring Concert of the Whitin Male Glee Club was represented by only one of Department 401 members this year—James Ferguson. All who attended enjoyed it immensely. Why don't they give more of this type of concert? More familiar music was greatly appreciated.

MILLING DEPARTMENT

by Marie VanderBaan

Nora Asadoorian has a very happy smile on her face since she received word her brother is on his way home from Korea. We see the same smile on George Dawe's face, for his son is also homeward bound. It certainly is a happy and thankful feeling when we know our husbands, sons, or brothers are on their way home.

William Ratcliffe and Garabed Harabedian received their 30-year service pins. You have done a fine job, men. Keep it up. . . . Martha Bombara was tendered a shower Saturday evening, April 16, in honor of her forthcoming marriage. . . . Rose Gigargian was traveling home from Worcester in her blue Plymouth when things didn't seem right. Rose got out and to her dismay discovered the tire was flat on the bottom. She stood there, helpless and forlorn, until some nice chap stopped and changed the tire. Since that time Rosie seems to have some kind of a special smile. Of course, it could be for me, but I wonder. . . . The honeymooners are back on the job, and the steel section is back to normal.

Birthday wishes this month go to Arthur Jackman, Orrin Marshall, George Vincent, Irving Orrell, Nicholas DeLucia, Albert Mascinica, Philip Larivierre, Doriea Thompson, Aime Aussant, Francis Blette, Jr., and Florence Hayward.

Night Shift News: May 28 was the thirteenth year of married bliss for Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Vandersea; June 1 was the seventh year for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vachon; and June 9 was the seventh year for Mr. and Mrs. Edward Murray. . . . A banquet will be held at the Embassy Club on June 27. . . . George DesBarres received his 30-year pin. Congratulations, George. . . . The Blue Caps softball team would like to schedule games for Saturday mornings. We will take on any team in the shop league. . . . Olin Towle had five years of service on May 17. Congratulations, Red!

The excellent voice of Elvira Creasia won applause when she sang at the Grange in Mendon. She is the daughter of Nicky and Theresia Creasia

Wedding bells will soon be ringing for Edward Vadenais of Manchaug.

PLANT LAYOUT, MILLWRIGHTS, AND TRUCKING DEPARTMENTS

by Violet Cichonski

Several people have often asked me why Plant Layout, Department 458, and Department 407 don't have a reporter for the SPINDLE. Well, we finally decided to do something about it, so here I am, making an honest effort to be a good reporter.

Primarily, we would like to welcome a newcomer to Plant Layout, James MacLean, draftsman, who hails from Hopedale. Oh, yes, Helen Modderman is fairly new in the department, so we'll give her a belated welcome. Helen's sailor friend, who is stationed in the Philippines, received the SPINDLE and read it through twice expecting to find her name in it. Well, we won't disappoint him this month, Helen.

Our foreman of the Millwrights, Bill Barber, recently started out for a cross-country trip to the Cape in his piper cub but a heavy fog changed his mind. I guess you'll have to make the trip by car, Bill. . . . Amede Roy and Tom Martin of Department 407 are out on sick leave. We wish them a speedy recovery and hope to see them back real soon. . . . Francis Julian, trucker, is a juror in Civil Court this month.

Carl Browning of Plant Layout was calling a party on the phone concerning a machine. He dialed the number but finally realized that he had dialed the machine insurance number instead of the phone number. What were you thinking of, Carl? Also, how about that steak dinner that you owe me?

This is a "fish" story: Earle Hammond, foreman of Department 408, recently went fishing and was successful; his catch was six trout, but he won't divulge where he caught them. Earle tells me another man in the same department hasn't been doing as well; namely, Francis Boucher, who caught only one, and we're not sure as to what kind of a fish it was.

METAL PATTERNS

by Bill Prior

Personality of the Month: Another veteran of Department 402 is Harry Alger, an employee who received his 40-year pin last year. Harry began working in this department in 1912. At first he did a little molding machine work, then transferred to pattern making. He is a second class pattern maker who served his apprenticeship in the Hopedale Plant. Born in Hopedale, Mass., in 1888, Harry will be 65 on August 22. He married a Whitinsville girl, Elizabeth Devlin, and they now live at 5 C Street, Whitinsville. Harry served in the armed forces in World War I. As a hobby, Harry likes sports.

Ed Benoit has gotten a new car to keep up the department's record for this month. Good driving, Ed. . . . Glad to hear Harry Daubney's son is feeling better after an illness. I hear that he has returned to school. . . . Sorry to hear that Jack Leonard, our office clerk, had to go to the hospital. Hope it's only for a short stay. . . . John Sohigian came back to work on May 20 after a long period of illness.

RESEARCH DIVISION

by Warren Campbell

The bowling team from the Machine Shop, known as the Pressure A.C., captained by Ken Stanley and consisting of Rupert Smith, Maynard Krull, Ernest Goyette, Francis Lash, Herb Spencer, and Louis Rutana, captured top honors in the Research Bowling League for the '52–'53 season. . . . On May 8, all members of the bowling league wound up a successful season with a bus trip to Fenway Park in Boston, to see the Red Sox and Yankees clash in a night game. During the trip, League President John O'Brien made the presentations to the prize winning teams, the Machine Shop, winners of the second half and the Engineers, winners of the first half, and to Rupert Smith who wound up the season with the high average of 97.5 to cop the award for the second consecutive year. The highlights of the presentations was the acceptance of a beautiful white enamel trophy by Captain Ken Stanley of the Machine Shop, which was given by the league in recognition of the great victory. This trophy is now on display in the Machine Shop Office.

The Rev. Robert B. Perry of Orange, Mass., son of Edward Perry of our Engineering Department, and Mrs. Perry of East Douglas, was ordained an elder in the Methodist Church at their annual conference in Melrose, Mass., on May 24. He is pastor of the Methodist churches in Orange and So. Athol, Mass. Their younger son, Richard B. Perry, completed his first year of pre-

medical training at Duke University on May 23 and has been elected a member of Freshman Advisory Council.

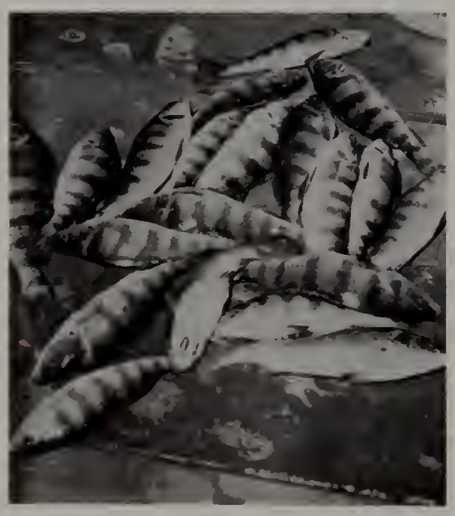
Wallace Caron, supervisor of the Lab attended the Convention of the American Society of Quality Control in Philadelphia on May 29. . . . Peter Regas and his wife visited their son, George, who is in training with the U. S. Navy at Bainbridge, Md., over Memorial Day week end. . . . Mrs. Bernice Taylor of the Lab was presented her five-year pin by E. K. Swift, Jr. . . . There have been rumors around that gophers have been active at the Pine Ridge Country Club in Upton, but it turned out to be members of the newly formed Research Golf League warming up for the coming season. . . . The welcome mat is out for Roland Graves who was recently transferred from Department 422 to the Machine Shop at Research. Also, to Kenneth Hutcheson who will spend some time with us as part of his apprentice training. . . . Gerry Snow left us on May 1 to work for the Portland Company in Portland, Maine. We miss that hearty laugh, but wish you lots of luck, Gerry.

GRINDER JOB

by Virginia Burke

Personality of the Month: William Such, one of our grinders, came to work at the Whitin Machine Works on December 21, 1935. William started on the Milling Job, and worked there for two years; then transferred to the Spindle Job, working there six years as an inspector and grinder. Next Bill worked on the Magneto Job, then to 426 where he now works as a grinder. Bill thinks it is good experience to work on the different jobs. When young he wanted to be a mechanic but after a little experience at H. H. Saunders Garage he changed his mind and finds shop work more interesting.

Bill has been a lifelong resident of Northbridge, living on First Avenue. His hobbies are hunting, fishing, and traveling—also reading about the world events. His ambition is to see California and Europe. Bill still has his first dollar earned at W.M.W. which is of great interest to all the new members of the department, as the size is quite different. We all wish the best to Bill and trust he realizes his ambition.



This string of yellow perch and pout, caught within the past few weeks, should prove there are fish in Burtt Pond. Sally and George Jones caught these beauties, weighing up to one and one half pounds, in less than 30 minutes

Alfred Vallee was presented his 30-year pin on May 12 by Mr. Bolton accompanied by Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Pierson. Our congratulations, Fred, and may you enjoy many more years with Department 426.

Birthday congratulations to Margaret Zanchetti on May 30, which was also her wedding day. The department wishes her the best of luck and a happy married life. She was presented a gift from the department by Foreman George Moran. . . . William Gubber, the parts and process man, also enjoyed a birthday on the 19th. Many more, Bill.

George LaRose, who runs the milling machine at 426, was married on May 23 to Claire Corriveau, in Woonsocket. George has been busy getting his new home furnished. George and Claire took a trip to the White Mountains after their marriage. George was remembered by the Department just before leaving us for his wedding.

MAIN OFFICE

by Gloria Marshall

This is your new reporter taking over for Elia Dell'Orco and hoping to keep up the good work.

We have a few travelers in our midst this month. . . . Leonard White and his family spent three pleasant weeks down in Miami, Fla., and judging from that beautiful tan that Leonard has, I guess that Florida sunshine must have been right up to par. . . . Margaret Guertin took a week-end motor trip to Fort Dix, N. J., to visit her son, Pvt. George Guertin, who is now serving Uncle Sam. Her daughter Fran did the driving and she didn't even get lost once while driving around the camp! Having a little experience with army camps myself, I can assure you that she deserves a medal for that feat. . . . Evelyn McNamara and her family took a week-end drive to New York City and had a very pleasant time.

Again this year a number of the girls from our office are playing softball. Jay Bishop is captain of the team known as Bolton's Swifty Links. We are sorry to hear that the team lost its catcher in their first game when Ginny Burke suffered a badly sprained ankle. Ginny may not be able to play for the remainder of the season. The score of that first game, by the way, was: Currie's Cuties 17—Bolton's Swifty Links 0. . . . Better luck next time, girls.

The past couple of months saw several social functions, which began with Marjorie McCallum's installation as Worthy Matron of the O.E.S. One of her first duties was to put on a May breakfast and she sure did a fine job. I'll buy your first ticket again next year, Marge. . . . Two Stanley brush parties were held at the homes of Gloria Frabotta and Ginny Burke. I don't know if the girls went for the demonstration or for the wonderful food that was served. How about it, girls? . . . Gert Barlow was taken by surprise early one morning when she was presented with a birthday cake. Later on that day we all helped her to celebrate the occasion. Thanks for the ice cream, Gert. We had a swell time.

Jay Bishop must have made a pretty picture when she was a bridesmaid at her brother's wedding. Quite a change from the softball uniform, wasn't it, Jay?

Our congratulations to Mr. Gordon G. Spence on his election to the office of treasurer, and also to Mary Galleshaw who recently received her 25-year pin, presented by Mr. Bolton, Mr. Lincoln, and Mr. Pierson.

If you have never had an embarrassing moment, I suggest that you talk to Gloria Frabotta who has had her share of such happenings of late. Can't you imagine your feelings if you walked into the home of your aunt, and realized you had somehow opened the wrong door when you faced a living room full of strangers!

If you hear the strains of the song "My Baby's Coming Home" floating through the air, you can be sure it's Connie Dale who is doing the singing, and who can blame her, for her husband, Pvt. Harvey Dale, is soon due home after spending over a year on the Korean battlefront. Harvey will meet his infant son, John, for the very first time. We are all very happy for you, Connie.

Arlene Buker left on May 15 to spend the summer up in the cool state of Maine. Think of us, Arlene, when you make use of those swimming lessons on these warm summer days. . . . Also, saying farewell on this date was Sophie Levitre, who is going to work a little nearer home. She has accepted a position at the First National Bank of Webster. A party was held for Sophie at The Meadows in Framingham just before she left, and everyone had a good time and plenty to eat from what I hear.

Alfred Menard, a graduate of the Good Shepherd School in Linwood, begins studies for the priesthood this fall at Oblate Seminary in Bucksport, Maine. He is the 14-year-old son of Lorraine Menard of the Maintenance Department

Joseph Bedard, who retired on April 24 after 13 years service, was given a purse by his associates in Department 460. Supervisor Ovila Dion made the presentation at Mr. Bedard's home

Dick Conlee recently moved into his new home at 12 W. Plummer Park, and he and his family enjoy their new neighborhood very much. . . . I understand that Kermit Bickford will be trading his jeep for a new car soon. . . . We light the birthday candles this month for Norman MacIntyre, Bob Maynard, Viola Willard, Esther Albin, Eva Higginbottom, Laurence Fuller, and Tom Driscoll. Anniversary greetings go out to Esther Anderson, Arlene Buker, Ann McDonald, Gloria Marshall, and Eva O'Keefe.

I know that all of you must have figured out the answer to the problem which appeared in the last issue, and so that you may check your answers, here is the solution: The square piece was larger—250905.6 acres. The round piece—197061.25824 acres.

Vacations will be upon us before another issue comes out, so don't forget to keep me informed on vacation doings and please give me some pictures.

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Tad Wallace and Dorsey Devlin

The Women's Softball League is the subject of the sports talk at the present time. Three of the four teams are made up mostly of Production Personnel with Betty Bisson managing Curries' Cuties, Irving Lightbown coaching, and Patty Duggan heading the front office for Tick's Chicks, with Dorsey Devlin coaching. Dot Antoian leads the Red Wings while the other club, Bolton's Swifty Links, made up of Main Office Personnel, is headed by Jay Bishop.

To date, the Red Wings are leading with a 2–0 record, with the Chicks and Cuties 1–1, and the Links 0–2. These girls are good players and it is no secret that they might give some male teams a good game.

The Crib No. 9 Baseball Fan's Club has been organized and have planned a trip to Boston to have dinner and take in the Red Sox–White Sox game on Friday night, June 26. The following members will make the trip: Dick Guilbeault, Hank Mulligan, Joe Prairie, Dorsey Devlin, Louis Duggan, Champ Champagne, Tom Taylor, Roland Riendeau, and Johnny Spencer.

Our personality of the month at No. 5 Crib is Eddie Milliken, who was born in Whitinsville and attended the local schools here. He first came to work in the shop in 1919 on the Loom Job. He also worked on the Comber Job, Card Job, and in the Freight House, before starting to work for the Production Department about six years ago.

Eddie's hobby is working with the horses at Oakhurst Farm. He also works nights at the Arcade store. He is married to the former Jocelyn Prate and lives on Border Street in Whitinsville.

Returning home after their respective tours of duty in the service are Bob Bethel, Don Gauthier, and Irving Lightbown. It is nice to have you with us again, fellows, and may the day be soon coming when all the rest of our boys in the service will be with us again.

Your reporters lost their Girl Friday when Gloria Carter left us in favor of domestic duties. Gloria was our mainstay each month when the SPINDLE column was due and was a real big help to us. We certainly will miss her.

Every now and again the same old condition arises where your reporters find themselves confronted with the deadline on the SPINDLE column and little or no news is available. We have said this before and it is worth repeating, we can only write the news that you give us! It is impossible to cover this department without your cooperation.

Jack Gilchrist has recently joined the ranks of "Izaak Walton" and has found that fishing is a tremendous sport. Jack, however, is not a true fisherman as yet, inasmuch as he has a great deal of the truth left in him. On his first trip this year Jack reported "no bites in eight hours" while fishing the Cape Cod Canal. Jackie was accompanied on his trip by John Mullins, Len Hinchcliffe, and Mike Courtemanche. Another party has been planned at which time better results are promised. Remember, Jackie, we only publish pictures to attest to your prowess as a fisherman—only pictures—witnesses are out.

We were sorry to have three of the boys from No. 5 leave us this month. Ernie Lombardi left us to accept a position with Sears Roebuck Co. Sote Nichola has been transferred to 406. Carl Bishop left because of the scarcity of work.

No. 4 Notes: We have received notice that Pvt. Gary Trottier is in Korea. According to our information, Gary landed in Inchon in February and is with a maintenance outfit. This is Gary's address and I'm sure that he would appreciate any letters or cards that his many friends would care to send him.

Pvt. Gary P. Trottier, R. A. 11248001
224th Tk. Co., 40th Inf. Div.
A.P.O. 6, C/O Postmaster
San Francisco, California

GORDON G. SPENCE ELECTED TREASURER

Gordon G. Spence was elected treasurer of the Whitin Machine Works at the annual meeting of the stockholders on May 4. Elected as directors were E. Kent Swift, J. Hugh Bolton, Phillips Ketchum, Ralph E. Lincoln, Sydney R. Mason, Alexander Whiteside and Murray W. Keeler. Following the corporation meeting, the directors reelected Mr. Swift as board chairman; J. Hugh Bolton, president and general manager; Robert I. Dalton, Ralph E. Lincoln, Robert J. McConnell, Harry Moss, and Erik O. Pierson, vice-presidents; Sydney R. Mason, secretary; Robert G. McKaig, assistant secretary. John H. Bolton, Jr., was named assistant treasurer.

Bernie Adams recently played host to some of his buddies by serving a quahaug chowder to Hughie Currie, Don Nelson, John Hay, Harvey Deslauriers, Hector Chausse, and Harry Mitchell. I am told it was a delicious chowder but the proof of any pudding is in the eating—that is just a gentle hint to Bernie. I know it was wholesome because everyone reported for work on time in the afternoon on May 20, all looking very much satisfied indeed.

FOUNDRY PRODUCTION CONTROL

Farewell and adios to Stanley Ziemba who left us to take up his new duties as Planner in Department 448 and to Leo Dufresne who has joined planning in Department 429. We'll miss you fellows but we also wish you the best of luck in your new jobs.

Seen and Heard in our Department: Barbara Christiansen and Ruth McCann taking lessons on French pronunciation from Professor Louis Veau during the lunch hour. . . . Bill Taylor and Jerry Turner concentrating on golf. . . . Red Vincent right

MYSTERY PHOTO—Bill St. Andre, postman on the left, gained a little weight since this picture was taken 41 years ago. The employee on the right has been with Whitin for quite a number of years. Recognize him?

up to par with stories of his fishing ability—just ask the fellows who have enjoyed his harvest of trout. . . . Joe Mercak learning all about formula making and baby care. . . . Russ Mowry trying to cope with the pinochle gang. . . . John Julian touring the auction sales in search of antiques.

Just a reminder that while you are baking in the sun and enjoying yourself on vacation, we would like to hear about it and also bring us back some snapshots for the SPINDLE.

COST DEPARTMENT NEWS

by Dick Hanny and Cleve Reynolds

Bill Merriam and Joe Platukis were appointed Air Raid Wardens for the department as part of the Civilian Defense program. With the "advice and assistance" of his many friends, Joe should become a first-class warden. . . June being the month for weddings, Mary Gibbons and Marguerite Turcotte, both to be married June 27, were recipients of personal gifts at a surprise shower held May 6 at the home of Theresa Caswell, Repair Department. On May 13, a "kitchen" shower for Mary was held at the American Legion Hall, Millville, sponsored by Helen Sitnik, Frances VonFlatern, and Katherine Hession. . . . Norman Deragon received his five-year pin in April. Our apologies, Norm, but we didn't receive the information in time to make the last issue. . . Mary Gibbons and Norm Deragon were blood donors for the recent Red Cross drive. . . . Oscar Erickson's solo, "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," at the concert presented by the Whitin Male Glee Club on May 18 was very well received. Howard Anderson and Kenneth Crossman were ushers. . . . Thanks to Uncle Sam's rejection, Gus Ayotte remains as our gear expert.

Birthday greetings to Mary Gibbons and Don Rae. Wedding anniversaries were celebrated by Ray and Mrs. Colby, their 31st; Simone and Phil Grenier, their 16th; Charles and Mrs. Garabedian, their 11th; Cleve and Pauline Reynolds, their ninth; and Lucien and Mrs. Horent, their second.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

by Peggy Beaudreau

We welcome Frederick W. Lowe and John Nydam to our department. Frederick comes from Pascoag, R. I., and is working for Mr. Ed Haggerty, and John, who has been loaned to us from Research, comes from our little town of Whitinsville. Welcome to the Engineering Department, Fred and John. . . . About six to eight members of the Engineering Department attended a smorgasbord supper at the Royal A.C., North Grafton, on April 24. A delicious dinner of smorgasbord, all types of Italian foods, and chicken, plus all types of salads were served. Dancing followed the dinner and everyone had an excellent time. . . . Mill trips were made by Earl S. Wood and Harry Roy. . . . George and Ruth Briggs are seen sporting around in their new 1953 Dodge convertible.

The Department 494 softball players have pretty sharp uniforms this year—bright red with white letters. So far they are tied for first place, having won three games and lost none. They first played the Apprentices and defeated them 18–17. Department 494 scored 14 runs in the first inning but slowed up to score only four more runs in the whole game. They won their second game with Department 417 with a score of 9–7; and their third game was with Department 414 with a score of 43–3. The latter was only a five-inning game. Players from the Engineering Department are Charlie Drummond, Lloyd Rose, Connie Visbeck (our great pitcher), Bob Crossland (our old dependable), Roland Lejeune, Harry Roy, and Phil O'Grady. May you all come out on top at the end of the softball season.

Joe Branigan attended the annual Textile Meeting in Boston at the Sheraton Plaza. . . . On May 14 the girls from the department stepped out for a chicken and lobster supper at Chicken Pete's where everyone had a very good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Baker recently attended the Armed Forces Day ceremonies at Rome, New York, where their son William is now serving in the Air Force.

PAYROLL COMPUTATION, TABULATING, BUDGETS, STATEMENTS AND OFFICE TIMEKEEPING

by Phyllis McQuilkin

June has arrived bringing forth birthday congratulations to three members of Payroll Computation—Mary MacDonald, Audrey Todd, and Elouise Vincent. This is a very special month for Elouise for she is also celebrating her wedding anniversary. Ted Froh, Emily Quigley, and Victoria Roy also have wedding anniversaries this month. Congratulations, all!

Nancy Todd of Payroll Computation, accompanied by her father, took a trip the week end of May 22 to visit a friend at Sampson Air Base, New York. Hope it was a pleasant trip.

Tabulating Department ventured on an outside party May 22. Boy, what a menu—lobster and steak! Excuse me, I'm drooling.

MASTER LIST

by Rensforth Yeo

Personality of the Month: Felix H. Youngsma and his wife Gertrude, live in their own home in South Sutton. They have two grown children, both married, and four grandchildren. The son, Herman, works for Whitin's on the Tool Job. Felix also has a brother, Jacob, who works in Department 411.

An interesting and novel experience was enjoyed by Felix when he married. It was a triple wedding where three Youngsmas, two brothers and a sister, married, two sisters and a brother from the Dufries family.

After completing his schooling in East Douglas, Felix came to work for Whitin's in 1915. His first job was on coilers, spoolers and creels. This was terminated in 1918 when he was transferred to the Roving Job where he did lathe, drilling, milling, and set-up work for L. J. Ramsey until 1920. In the following years, Felix was associated with Repair Parts on Roving and, in 1946, when the Production Department took charge of his work, he was promoted to group leader. In 1952 Felix came to the Master List Department as a repair order analyst of all roving repair parts.

Birthday greetings to: Edith Goodwin, Hazel Creighton, Grace Kazarian, Claire Baillargeon, Ethel Braman, Warren Greene, Jim Ashworth, and Jim Brosnahan. . . . Anniversary wishes to Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Brown, Barry and June Judson, George and Helen Couillard, and to Evans and Martha Bedigian. . . . We are sorry that Rita Baillargeon is ill and hope that she will be back with us real soon.

The Engineering softball team managed by B. Judson has given a good account of itself so far this season with a 4–0 record. We also have good representation in the Little League with Jim Brosnahan as president, Jim Davidson as secretary, and managers "Doc" Couillard of the Browns and "Chewy" Lucier of the Cubs, and last but not least, Ray Tebeau as chief statistician.

METHODS

by Jean Cunningham

Our friend and co-worker, Abram Leibovitch, who was married on April 19, has officially changed his name to Abram Leiber. He feels that his new name will be easier for people. His friends will continue to call him Si.

Rose Fregeau and her family are now enjoying their new Pontiac sedan. I know from experience that it rides beautifully. . . . A dinner was held at the Duncan Inn, Blackstone, for Mr. Mandeville, an old friend of the department who retired short time ago. He was presented with gift from his friends by Al Capone, who an always pinch hit for anyone at any time. Dancing was one of the features of the evening.

George Shaw and family are driving a new Dodge. . . . Mary Anderson has bought a new Chevrolet. . . . Mary Anderson, Ruth O'Day, and Carol McCrea are members of the Whitin Softball League. We are proud that one of our lassies helped trounce Bolton's Swifty Links by a score of 17 to 0. Carol and Mary are right fielders while Ruth plays left field. . . . Ball games, fights, and spring fashions are the chief topics of conversation around the office.

Let's have a party, complete with cake and candles, to wish happy birthdays this month to Herbie Andrews, Charles Brouwer, George Hartley, Francis Mateer, "Tippy" Wiersma, Mary Anderson, and James Dunlas. Also, a happy birthday and get-well wishes to Lydia Hickey who is out on leave of absence. . . . Happy wedding anniversaries to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Neulieb, Mr. and Mrs. Rene Thibeault, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Frieswick, and Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Martin.

REPAIR SALES DEPARTMENT

by Joyce Rondeau

This month we welcome Sylvia Simonian back after a leave of absence. Marguerite Tatro is out ill. We all wish her a speedy recovery! Mr. Nelson is back to work after being out ill. . . . A group of the girls from the office had a shiskabab at Purgatory on June 8. . . . Alice Der Torosian is going to Cleveland for the week of June 21 as a delegate from the Whitinsville Chapter of the Armenian Youth Federation. . . . Fred Hanny visited his alma mater, the University of Virginia, for several days. . . . Word has been received from Bob Meader that he is planning to build a home in the San Gabriel Mountains. . . . John Alden has been telling us all what a wonderful buy he got on his car, although the night he tried it out, he pulled the brake up and it came off in his hand! . . . We suggest that Tom Marshall keep his oil bottle full. The other morning Tom got a call from his wife; we have never seen him move so fast! By the time he arrived home, the firemen had everything under control. . . . Birthday greetings for this month go to Ruth Crothers, Charles Polucha, Fred Hanny, and Orrin Austin. Happy anniversary to Charles Polucha and to Marion Merchant.

Helen Cooney was married to David Poliquin at the Good Shepherd Church on Saturday, May 30. Upon return from a honeymoon in New Hampshire they will make their home with David's parents.

Ernest Kroll, Department 401, married to Constance Goulet at Sacred Heart Church in Webster, May 23, 1953.

Margaret Zanchetti, timekeeper at Department 426, and Roland Wilson of Uxbridge married at St. Patrick's Church, May 30.

George LaRose, Department 426, married to Claire Corriveau at St. Ann's Church, Woonsocket, R. I., Saturday, May 23.

Richard Flinton, of Douglas and Department 432, engaged to Dorothy Bouvier of Millbury.

Ray Fortier of Department 438, married to Pearl Whitehead on May 23 at the Baptist Church in Uxbridge, Mass.

Alice Guertin of the Milling Job married to John A. Whites of Marlboro at St. Patrick's Church. A reception was held at the Progressive Club, Uxbridge.

John Kennedy, Foundry Production Control Office, married to Mildred Neri, R.N., Sacred Heart Church, Woonsocket, R. I., May 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Shaw, a son, John Dobbie, born April 29, at Roger Williams General Hospital, Providence, R. I.

To Gordon and Mrs. Curtis, a son, Douglas Arthur, born May 8.

To Mr. and Mrs. Francis Newton, a son, Timothy Joseph, born in Fall River Hospital, Fall River, Mass., on April 21. Timmy's father works in the Engineering Department.

To Alfred Ledoux of the Tool Job, and Mrs. Ledoux, a daughter, Denise, born May 11.

To Mr. and Mrs. John McNely, a daughter, Jo-Ann, at Whitinsville Hospital, May 8.

To Ernest Zimmermann of Research Engineering and Mrs. Zimmermann, a son, Ernest Charles, born February 24, 1953.

To John O'Brien, of Research Division and Mrs. O'Brien, a son, Thomas Lorne, born April 9, 1953.

To Maynard Krull, foreman of Research Machine Shop, and Mrs. Krull, a son, James Maynard, born May 9, 1953.

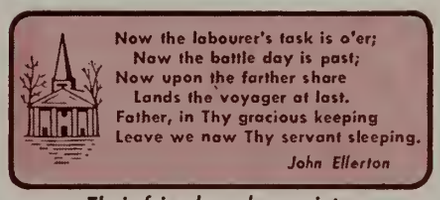
To Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Colonero on the birth of a baby boy, Nicholas, Jr., born April 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. August VanderBrug on the birth of a baby girl, Darlene Sue, born April 23.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ampagoomian, a baby boy, weighing seven pounds two ounces, at the Whitinsville Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Landry, a son, Paul Richards, on April 22.

To Andrew J. Mercak, Foundry Production Office, and Mrs. Mercak, a daughter, Jane Laurie, on May 11.



Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Survivors of Thomas J. Douville, 61, who died at his home on April 24. A planner in the Production Department, he had been a member of the Board of Selectmen for a quarter century.

Family and friends of Oliver Benoit, 59, a machinist at the Whitin Machine Works who died on May 5 at Memorial Hospital, Worcester.

Relatives and friends of Narcisse J. Cournoyer, Jr., 50, who died at his home on April 26. A resident of Rockdale for 40 years he had established his residence in Whitinsville six months ago.

Rose Proulx, Department 429, on the death of her brother in Holyoke.

Roger Whittlesey, Department 429, on the death of his father in Gonzales, Texas.

Shirley McClellan, on the loss of her father, Mr. William McClellan.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lash upon the recent death of Mrs. Lash's father.

James Murphy on the death of his brother, Edward, who worked for many years on the Tool Job.

Roland Benoit on the death of his father Oliver Benoit.

Irving, Norman and Shirley Lightbown on the death of their mother Mrs. Ethel Lightbown.

Ed Duhamel on the passing of his sister, Mrs. Marie Mount.

Ben Briere upon the loss of his brother.

Paul Mailloux, Department 416, upon the loss of his father.

Ralph Walsh, Department 416, upon the loss of an aunt.

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Familiar Faces

Around the Plant

Merle Macomber, supervisor on the night shift in 411, first came here in 1923. Merle has a son who is a lawyer in Washington, D.C.

Chet Rymeski, night supervisor in the Foundry, is a veteran of World War II. He has one daughter and his hobbies are fishing and baseball

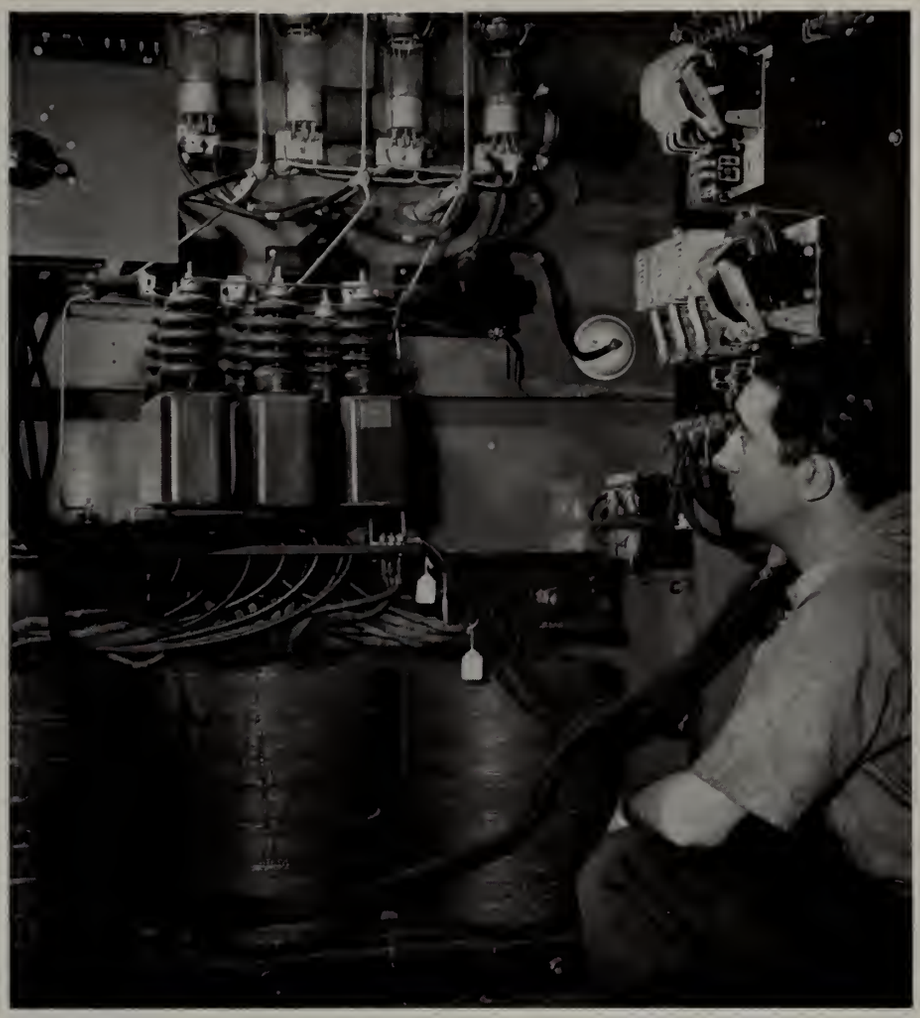
Ralph Smith, assistant supervisor on the Tool Job night shift, has worked here since 1937. He has two sons and his hobby is raising parakeets

Al Castonguay, night operator of the gas engine sweeper, served four years in the Navy. He lives at Blue Eagle Inn and was once a boxer

Hector Lemoine, who has worked on the Metal Pattern Job night shift since 1942, lives in Whitinsville and is a Red Sox fan. His hobby is fishing

Arthur Gauvin, night supervisor in 426, has been with Whitin since 1919. He lives in Linwood and for a hobby he builds homes

Eddie Murray, of the Milling Job night shift, was in the Army during World War II. He lives in Whitinsville and has four children



Men of the Electrical Department must keep abreast of new developments in electrical and electronic equipment. This electronic heater being serviced by Lorenzo H. Frisiello hardens our rolls

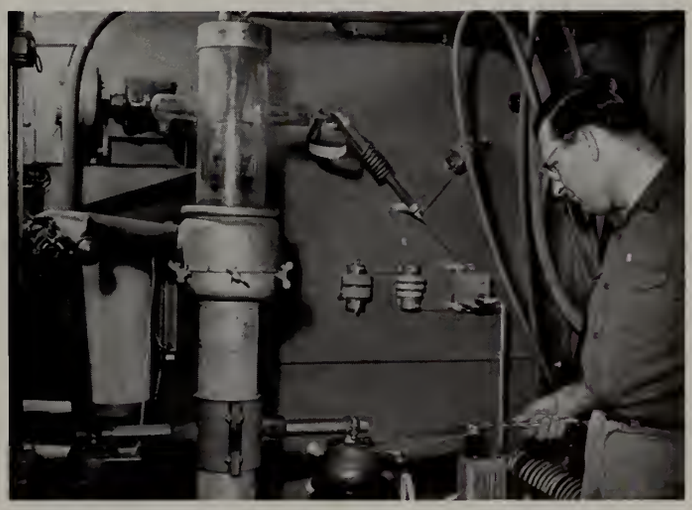
Electricity—

The Slumbering Giant

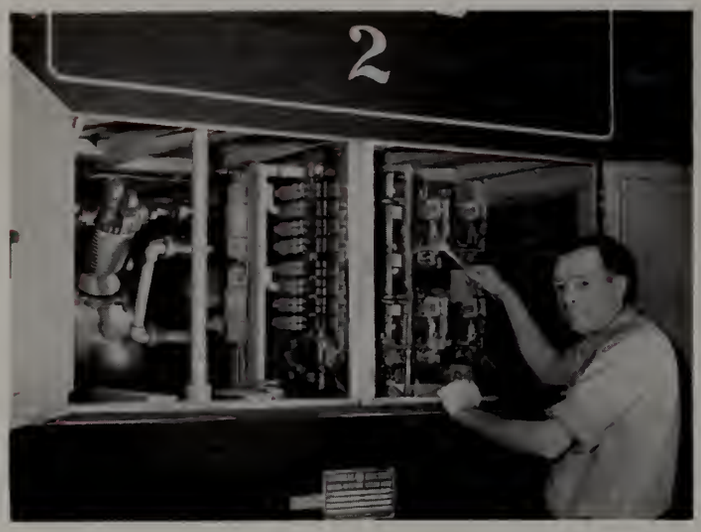
In a fairy tale there was a sleeping beauty who awakened at a kiss. Here in the Whitin Machine Works we have a slumbering giant who awakens at the flip of a switch to send the strength of 15,742 horses surging into our 3,315 electric motors. Raging uncontrolled, this force would be capable of doing untold damage, but under the skilled hands of the 38 men of the Electrical Department it is the docile servant that makes our production possible.

The importance of the task of this group of workers is seldom realized for two reasons. First, the entire plant is their workshop. The men work at vital tasks at widely separated points, and those who supervise their work need the stamina of a marathon runner to keep track of them. Secondly, the men of this department are a modest lot. Plant Electrical Engineer Burton Robie expressed their philosophy when he said, "We'd rather let our deeds speak for themselves."

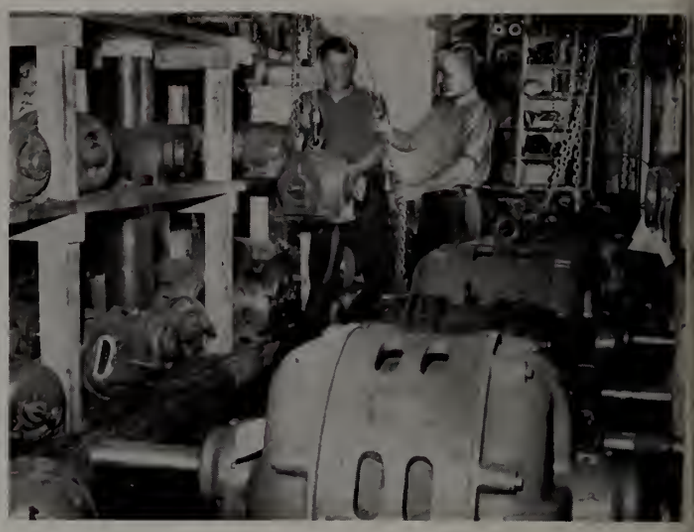
In times of emergency, such as flood and hurricane,



No butterfingered lad need apply for this job—the tube alone is valued at $1500! Jean C. Roy tightens connections on the electronic hardener located on the Roll Job



It requires skilled hands to synchronize the motors that pull our diesel-electric locomotives. John W. Wright, group leader, makes sure the four motors pull as one



Our 6000 electric motors require that a reserve of motors be kept on hand. Joseph T. Novak, Jr. and Edward Bergeron place a rebuilt five-horsepower motor in storage

those deeds have spoken for both plant and community. When the hurricane of '38 struck there was no loss of power in the plant. Our generating capacity of 10,000 kilowatts, enough to serve 10,000 average homes, furnished power and pumped water for Whitinsville for several days. Fifteen men of the department are licensed electricians, and they and every other member of the department who could climb a pole rallied to the support of the community, working from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. until the job was done. Some homes were without power for a day and a half, fire alarm service was interrupted in some sections for a week, and not for ten days was freight hauled from the Linwood station. During this period, the normal load of 5,600 kilowatts was available to the plant.

Under Plant Electrical Engineer Burton A. Robie and Foreman James R. Sheldon, assisted by supervisors George Rae, Leland Hemenway, and Thomas Mateer, the men in this department are a versatile group, capable of doing any of the tasks that may be assigned. Some of the more common jobs are listed below.

In-Plant Main Power Transmission

The main power transmission lines within the plant require regular attention and repair. Some outside power is purchased at 13,200 volts and stepped down for use. About a third of the Whitin Machine Works is served by a 600-volt line, the remaining two thirds by a 4,100-volt line. At load centers throughout the plant the voltages are further reduced to 550 volts for power and 115 volts for lighting.

Lighting Fixtures

Our light load of 2,225 kilowatts requires that we purchase light bulbs and fluorescent tubes in carload lots. Two or three men are kept busy at all times replacing burned out lights. The fluorescent tubes alone, if placed end to end, would reach from here to Providence.

Motor Maintenance

Two more men are engaged in motor maintenance. Ninety per cent of our motors are ten horsepower or less, and a reserve of 150–200 spare motors ranging in power from one-quarter horsepower to 50 horsepower is kept in stock at all times. Periodically the motors are disassembled, the bearings replaced, the windings cleaned, varnished and baked, and the motors reassembled.

Machine Tool Motor Maintenance

Those who do machine tool motor maintenance work carry out comparable tasks. Again electrical motors must be cleaned and oiled and bearings replaced, but in this case the motors are attached to machines.

New Construction

An estimated 20 per cent of the work of the department is new construction. When a new machine is installed or when a machine is moved to a new location, there may

Whitin's unexcelled reputation for quality is made possible in part by those who keep our machine tool control equipment in perfect shape. Thomas Mateer, Sr., shop supervisor, directs the work of Henry G. Nydam and Benjamin Colonero

The electricians that work in the Foundry have their own peculiar problems. Here Leland Hemenway, foundry supervisor, watches meter as William Kelley and Joseph Leclair give a direct-current crane controller its periodic check

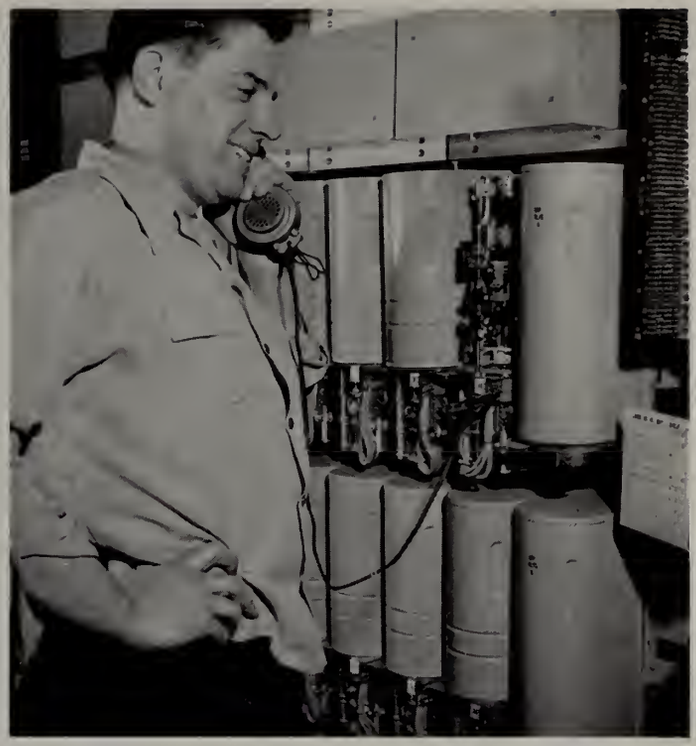
be need for new power lines, transformers, switches, and lights. About 75 per cent of the plant has been changed to fluorescent lighting, and gradually the belt-driven machines are being motorized.

Outside Maintenance

There are miles of outside lines exposed to the ravages of the weather. Twelve months a year, in good weather and bad, those poles must be climbed and those wires kept in repair in order that the scattered sections of the plant may have their share of power to keep their machines turning and their lamps lit.

Locomotive Maintenance

The men who keep our five locomotives in tip-top shape have a heavy job—the two standard-gauge engines weigh 65 tons each and the three narrow-gauge engines weigh 23 tons each! Each of the big 65-tonners is powered by two diesel engines; each engine drives a direct current 250-horsepower generator; each generator feeds two



Frederic Baker, testing telephone relays, makes sure that when you dial an in-plant number you reach the proper phone

traction motors. The traction motors, like a team of perfectly matched horses, must be precisely adjusted so that each will pull its fair share of the load. The men of the Electrical Department see to it that the pull of these motors does balance.

Electric Truck Maintenance

Someone has to see to it that the electric trucks used around the plant are kept in repair. Some of these trucks use a lead and acid battery similar to that used in the family car, others use a more complex iron and caustic battery whose recharging requires more skill. Again, this type of electrical maintenance is the special province of the Electrical Department.

While the iron-nickel batteries that power some of our electrical trucks operate on the same principle as the battery in your car, charging them is more complicated. The charging panels are behind William O. Dion and Wilfred H. Courteau

In winter or summer, in sunshine or storm, the men of the outside crew keep the outside power lines in condition. From the left: Joseph Stefans and Robert Blackburn, linemen, and George Rae, outside supervisor

Left: The fluorescent tubes already in use in the plant would, if placed end to end, reach from Whitinsville to Providence, yet new fixtures are constantly being added. From their position high on a scaffold Herbert F. DeFosse and Donald Mullens look down on the camera. Right: Proper lighting means less eye-strain and better products. Thomas Mateer, Jr., and George W. Drolet replace a flickering fluorescent tube to insure even lighting in the working area

Foundry Maintenance

Yet another maintenance task is the upkeep of the electrical equipment in the Foundry. The men who care for this section of our plant face most of the problems faced elsewhere in the Whitin Machine Works plus the necessity of caring for a large number of cranes.

Telephone and Signal System

The telephone directory of the Whitin Machine Works shows that the plant has more dial telephones than many a town. This telephone system and the signal system must be kept operating, and still again Department 470 does the trick.

Night Crew and Office

As electric power may be needed at any hour of the night or day, a crew of four men are on duty nights in this department. Constant reference to the men of this department should not obscure the fact that one girl, Fern Coombs, is employed in the office.

Senior Employees

Among the senior employees in this department are: Joseph Leclair, 38 years; Leland Hemenway, 38 years; Thomas Mateer, 33 years; George Rae, 32 years; Edward Bergeron, 27 years; John Wright, 26 years; William Burke, 26 years; and George McCann, 24 years.

Left: Some men of the department are on duty after the sun goes down. From the left the members of the night crew are: Elmer E. Normandin, Jr., William Burke, George D'Alfonso, and Louis R. Wojtowicz. Center: James Sheldon, foreman; Fred Willis, technician; and Burton Robie, electrical engineer; check plans for installing electrical equipment to be used in connection with sawdust disposal system in Carpenter Shop. Right: Fern Coombs, the only member of the fair sex on the job, handles the secretarial work in the Electrical Department and Tom Frieswyk is the stock clerk

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ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL . . .

To many of us, it was just the Fourth of July—another holiday. It's been around a long time—177 years; we incline to take for granted that it will always be around.

But it will not be if we forget, in the pursuit of happiness, that liberty has a price—and that is eternal vigilance. The enemies of freedom hope that we will get so soft and bemused that we will forget, and fail to be vigilant, both at home and abroad.

The enslaved millions behind the Iron Curtain, who look to us as their only hope of salvation, should have been a warning and a challenge to us on Independence Day. They have learned their bitter lesson the hard way. We can lose our liberty—the soft way.

FRONT COVER: Softball and other active sports help American women maintain their radiant health and beauty. Pauline Hagopian catches as Jeanette Bishop prepares to drive one over the fence. Photo by June Wilbur.

Whitin Personality

"A Yankee by birth and a Southerner by adoption" is the way Carl D. Brandt, fiber and process consultant, classifies himself. Born and raised in New England, Carl has spent 13 of the past 30 years in the region of the peach pie and watermelon vine. He and Mrs. Brandt like the northern and southern areas equally well.

Carl entered this world on June 22, 1898, at Manchester, New Hampshire. After his graduation from Manchester High School in 1916 and from Lowell Textile in 1920 he went to work as an engineering draftsman at Lowell Bleachery. Three years later he was sent to Georgia where for six years he was assistant superintendent of Lowell Bleachery South. Following this he was for two years plant superintendent of the Otis Company, Bondsville, Massachusetts, then returned to the South.

Carl was head of the textile division of the Texas Technological College at Lubbock, Texas. In 1935 he joined the Whitin Machine Works as a member of our research staff.

Carl and Mrs. Brandt, the former Miss Bertha Mutch of Lowell, were married in 1925 and now live at 24 Woodland Street, Whitinsville. Their son, Robert John, age 20, is now in his junior year at Harvard.

He has as hobbies fishing and golf. Using his summer home in Leicester as a base he catches the wily black bass with "worms, flies, shiners, or anything else they'll take." The best specimen he caught last year, a 3-pound 15 ounce bass from Sargents Pond, still hasn't beaten the over 4-pound bass caught by Mrs. Brandt the preceding season.

He is more than modest about his golfing status. "I'm a terrible golfer," he said bitterly. "For 30 years I've played the game, and for 30 years I haven't improved—now even my son can beat me! But I'm not going to give it up."

Mr. Brandt saw five months' army service during World War I as a member of the Student Army Training Corps at Plattsburg. He is a member of Pentucket Lodge, A.F. & A.M., at Lowell, of the A.S.T.M. and of the A.A.T.T.

America

My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died, land of the Pilgrim's pride,
From ev'ry mountain side let freedom ring.

My native country thee, land of the noble free,
Thy name I love,
I love thy rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills, like that above.

Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees
Sweet Freedom's song;
Let mortal tongues awake, let all that breathe partake,
Let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.

Our fathers' God, to Thee, Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing;
Long may our land be bright, with freedom's holy light,
Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King.

Song of America

NO patriotic song is more universally known and loved than "America." Yet this majestic hymn has never been officially recognized by the United States. It is not the national anthem. That honor was reserved for the more warlike and less singable "Star Spangled Banner," which was designated the national anthem by Act of Congress in 1931.

Where did "America" come from? The words were written by Samuel Francis Smith of Boston, when he was only 22 years old and still a student at Andover Theological Seminary. He was a graduate of the Boston Latin School, the oldest high school in the United States, where he won two prizes including a medal for poetry. He was a member of the famous class of 1829 at Harvard College. One of his classmates, Oliver Wendell Holmes, wrote a poem about "The Boys" thirty years later, in which one stanza contained the lines:

"And there's a nice youngster of excellent pith:
Fate tried to conceal him by naming him Smith."

While a seminary student, Sam Smith met Lowell Mason, a well-known music teacher and hymn writer ("Nearer, My God, to Thee" and others), who first introduced music in the public school curriculum of Boston. Mason asked his young friend, who knew German, to look over some old German songbooks and see if there was anything in them that might be adapted for use in American schools. Smith did so and found a simple and stately tune which especially appealed to him, accompanied by a German patriotic song. Why not, he thought, write a patriotic hymn for Americans to sing to the same tune?

"I seized a scrap of waste paper," he explained many years later, "and began to write what came into my mind. In less than half an hour I had written the words for 'My Country, 'Tis of Thee.' I did not know at the time that the tune was also that of the British anthem, 'God Save the King.' However, I do not think it a bad idea that we and our English cousins should use the same tune for one of our national songs. I did not intend to write a national hymn, nor did I ever think that my song, written on the spur of the moment, would become so famous."

Smith gave his copy to Mr. Mason and forgot about it. On the Fourth of July, 1832, a year later, he attended a patriotic celebration at the Park Street Church, Boston. There he was overjoyed to hear a great chorus of school children singing his own song, "My Country, 'Tis of Thee." They had been trained by Mr. Mason as a surprise for his friend. It was published the same year in a songbook of Mason's called The Choir. Gradually it found its way into other hymnbooks as "America," and gained world-wide fame. In 1895, the year he died, Dr. Smith was honored by another great public celebration in Boston for his composition.

Young Smith went on to become a prominent minister of the Baptist Church. He held important pastorates, including one at Waterville, Maine, where he was also a professor of modern languages at Colby College. (He is said to have known sixteen languages.) Later for many years he was editor of various church papers and secretary of the American Baptist Missionary Union.

He wrote many other works in both prose and verse, some of which were collected under the title, *Poems of Home and Country*. But none of them attained the distinction of "America." Originally his song contained five stanzas, and other authors added two or three more. But Smith himself finally approved only the four that are recognized today.

The tune of "America" is very old, and may go back as far as the fourth century. This melody, or one very like it, has been sung in many nations, by Germans, Norsemen, Finns, Swiss, and French.

The English version, to which "God Save the King" is sung, was composed by Henry Carey, who also wrote "Sally in Our Alley." It was first sung at a dinner party in London in 1740 to celebrate a British naval victory. The great Austrian composer, Franz Josef Haydn, having heard Englishmen sing this anthem to their king, was inspired to write his own version of it for an Austrian national hymn.

Thus Samuel Francis Smith's reverent hymn to freedom-loving America is set to truly international music which answers to the deepest impulses of all mankind.

By KENNETH M. GOULD,

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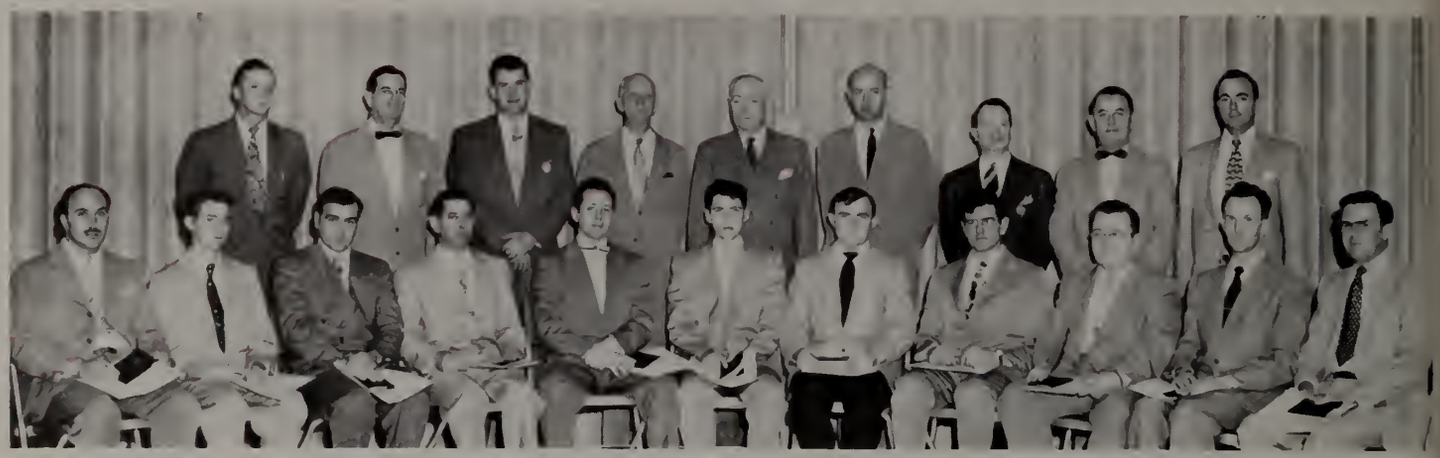


Seated is the Whitin Apprentice School Graduating Class of 1953. From the left: Stephen Koprusak, Thomas Gilchrist, Girard Lacour, Onesime Jacques, Raymond Burke, Robert Godbout, James McGrail, Alden Toomey, Harold Miller, L. Earle Newcombe, Joseph Yerka. Donald Corron and Joseph B. Kane, Jr., were granted their diplomas in absentia.

Standing from the left: Luke L. Lomartire, Apprentice Director; Hubert L. Connor, State Director; Erik Pierson, Works Manager; Ernest A. Johnson, Commissioner of Labor; J. Hugh Bolton, President; John Cunningham, Superintendent; Frank N. Stone, Personnel Director; Martin Salmon and Joseph Manning, Apprenticeship Representatives

GRADUATION

At a modest, yet dignified ceremony held in the Apprentice School on Monday, June 8, President J. Hugh Bolton presented Whitin shop diplomas to 11 young men graduating as journeymen. One member of the graduating class was absent because of military service, and another could not attend because of illness. This is the second class to graduate under a registered program.

Following an introduction by Luke L. Lomartire, Mr. Bolton spoke briefly, commending the apprentices for their close attention to their training and courses, and congratulating them for their fine achievements.

Mr. Hubert L. Connor, director of the Division of Apprentice Training in the State of Massachusetts, addressed the graduates. In his remarks he said, "I know that completing an apprenticeship is no easy task, for it marks great effort both on your part and on the part of the company. This program helps perpetuate the crafts that have made Whitin machines famous in the markets of the world."

State certificates of completion were awarded by Mr. Ernest A. Johnson, Commissioner of Labor for Massachusetts, who said, "We in the department know of your record at Whitin of turning out well-qualified journeymen. We know that you graduates have been diligent and faithful in performing the tasks assigned you. . . . We need have no fear in Massachusetts that you will not be afforded an opportunity to employ your skills."

The members of the Apprentice School, representatives of management, and invited guests witnessed the graduation.

Mr. J. Hugh Bolton presenting diploma to Raymond Burke while Commissioner of Labor Ernest Johnson looks on

Mr. Bolton stands nearby as Commissioner Johnson presents a state certificate to Stephen Koprusak which certifies his completion of a registered apprenticeship program

Edward Gwozdowski received an award of $109 for suggesting a new method of dumping oil boxes on the new 1500-pound Herman machine in Department 404

Suggestion Awards

Samuel Gustavson, when an erector, suggested omitting the traversing threadboard lifting rod mechanism at the foot end of spinning frames and twisters whenever there is an extra sampson. Sam received $113 for his idea

Dept.	*Name*	*Suggestion Number*	*Amount of Award*
462	John Kneeland	52–68	$120.00
	Serviceman Samuel Gustavson	51–159	113.00
404	Edward Gwozdowski	53–50	109.00
411	John Hutnak	53–61	50.00
418	Andrew Vierstra	52–117	30.00
401	Robert Bosworth	53–67	25.00
462	John Kneeland	52–199	20.00
417	Charles Malkasian	52–203	19.00
448	Kenneth Proctor	53–15	15.00
419	Joseph Ratty	52–166	15.00
448	William Hall	52–207	12.50
417	Charles Malkasian	53–13	10.50
430	William Beaudoin	53–24	10.00
416	Celia Donaldson	52–160	7.50
489	Lucille Macomber	52–174	7.50
489	Maurice Valois	52–192	7.50
460	Omer O. Bourget	52–214	7.50
454	Vincent Cotnoir	51–255	7.50
460	Alfred Frenette	53–6	7.50
489	Emma Proulx	53–10	7.50
489	Raymond Achorn, Jr.	53–29	7.50
454	Raymond Jorritsma	52–181	7.50
499	Edward Wallace	52–204	7.50
417	Charles Malkasian	53–5	7.50
437	Chester Clark	53–42	7.50
465	Oscar Asadoorian	53–66	7.50

Softball Scoreboard

By Harold Case

The softball season is pretty well along and the weak have been weeded from the strong. Of course there are always upsets in the making, but at this writing I believe that the present leaders, Department 429, will still be up there at the finish. How they will fare in the play-offs is another thing. I seemed to recall all too vividly how one leading team made out in the play-offs only two years back. As I remember, the league's leading hitters just couldn't hit some "creampuff" pitching or, as they call it in the majors, "junk." What a comedown that was!

There are 10 teams in the W.M.W. League and only Department 429 is sporting an unbeaten record having a 7–0 with one game not played due to rainy weather. Department 429 is practically the only team to have a lot of outstanding softball players from past years and other leagues, which is perhaps the main reason this club is on top.

"Bunny" Howard, an experienced infielder, and Mike Marker keep the left-field side of second base too tight for many batters to hit grounders through for base hits. In the outfield, old "Rabbit-legs" Bibi Brochu gets under all the fly balls within hailing distance. Floyd Gudanowski backs up the plate and, with Walt "Twister" Aslanian throwing up those spinners, no wonder this club is undefeated. Manager Don Simmons keeps them on their toes and even has Joe Valis beating out bunts! Maurice "Mo" Deshaies, who does a good share of the hurling this year, looks pretty good. Don White and Gordon DeYoung, two strong hitters, have been added this year. Remmi Roy, Frank Zayonc, and Bob Cusson make up the remainder of the team. I'll string along with this club to remain on top all season and cop the trophy in the play-offs. However, Department 453 is pressing them very closely with only one defeat, so there could be trouble from them. Departments 427 and 438 are tied up with a 6 and 3 record, so I don't see any trouble from them; 427 might be a thorn though, because Joe Zanchetti pitches for this club and is mighty hard to hit some nights.

In the Church League the Christian Reform team is way out in front with the Congos but I am sticking with the Christian Reform boys. They have too many good ball players to have an "off" night. Methodist, St. Pat's, and the Trinity Churches make up the rest of the league.

The Rec League finds the Christian Reform fielding another team which is also on top! The Spinning Ring club is right on their heels and, by the time this reaches the public, the Ring Shop will very likely be on top. Avakian Shell holds the third spot and Spence's Music Shop provides a firm foundation for the other teams. Manager Gordon Spence tells me that he has signed up a couple of college boys and that when they arrive home for summer months the music-makers will really climb.

The girls are the ones who are in a tight league. The Red Wings and Currie's Cuties are deadlocked, and until they meet one another will probably stay that way. These teams are strong and make a doormat out of the other teams at almost every meeting. I haven't seen these teams in action but I know by looking at the rosters why the standings are like they are. One word—pitching. The Red Wings have Minnie Blair who pitched this club to the championship last year and Currie's Cuties have Jean Labonte who certainly rates as high as Minnie. I wouldn't venture to guess the outcome of this league but the final game ought to be a "doozer" when the chips are really down for the Red Wings and the Cuties.

Currie's Cuties tied for first place in woman's softball league. Front row, from the left: Jean Anderson, Barbara Spratt, Beverly King, and Jean Labonte. Second row: Carol McCrea, Betty Bisson, manager; Sally Marker, and Nancy Spratt. Third row: Helen Dagirmanjian, Hilda Swart, Alice Boisvert, and Lucy Mooradian

Flanked by Chief of Police Albert J. Cullen and Mr. J. Hugh Bolton, President of the Whitin Machine Works, Charles Erickson, a victim of rheumatic fever this past winter, throws the first ball. Charlie was a member of the Little League last year

Northbridge Sponsors Intermediate League

By James Brosnahan

The Northbridge Intermediate Baseball League officially opened on June 19, and for those 60 fortunate young men who were chosen to represent the various teams, this was a most memorable and busy day.

At 11 a.m. they reported in uniform at the Whitin Gym. There they were divided into units and assigned to areas near the major industries where they solicited money for the financing of the League. For although sponsored by the Town of Northbridge Playground and Recreation Commission, these youngsters must raise an additional thousand dollars above the town's initial $1,200 grant. It is essential to raise this sum because the League was started so late that it could not be provided for in the regular budget. The youngsters did a commendable job, raising $400, and with the $450 already donated by merchants and other interested parties, this put them well on the road to the blue ink column.

At 5:30 p.m., again in uniform, these youngsters together with the Little League, Boy Scout and Girl Scout units of the town, reported to Blair's Garage, where they

Youngsters of both leagues, invited guests, girl scouts and bands assemble on Vail Field for flag-raising ceremonies

Spectators wait for the game to start. In the foreground are the Intermediate League Cubs and Phillies

were formed into parade units. At 6 p.m., the parade, led by Chief Cullen of the Police Department and Chief Walker of the Fire Department, left Blair's moving down flag-bedecked Main Street. Marshal for the parade was Souren Asadoorian, Commander of the John and Richard Moran Post No. 6145, Veterans of Foreign Wars, whose color guard headed the line of march. The parade featured two drum corps, the Millbury High School Girls and the Oxford Fife and Drum Corps, and representative units from the various troops of Boy and Girl Scouts. Then came the Little Leaguers and the Intermediate Leaguers riding in some 24 shining convertibles.

I'm sure the teenagers who though a year ago said, "That stuff's O.K. for the kids" suddenly found they liked it themselves.

Having reached Vail Field at 7 p.m., the opening ceremonies were started with approximately 600 fans assembled in the stands. There were speeches by Fire Chief Walker, Mr. R. G. McKaig, Chairman of the Northbridge Playground and Recreation Commission, and Mr. Adam Davidson, President of the Intermediate League's Board of Directors. A flag raising concluded the ceremony as the Little and Intermediate Leaguers lined the diamond. Then came the ballgame, with the

Left: The Oxford Junior Fife and Drum Corps added color to the parade. They were Junior State Champions in 1951–52

Right: Intermediate League and Little League Phillies pass our vantage point near the Main Office

Vail Field lighting system lit for night ball after a two-year lapse—an occasion in itself. This time the youngsters of the town were benefited by the wonderful plant donated to the League's use by Mr. J. Hugh Bolton, President of the Whitin Machine Works.

The ballgame won by the Braves 14 to 8 was marred by the usual first game nervousness and mistakes that any group this age can be guilty of. However, the first Intermediate League hit did go to an ex-Little Leaguer, Tommy Woodcome, and the first home run—a 320-foot poke over the Little League fence in center field—went, to a high school player, Jimmie Mahoney. To sum it all up, fans, I think the words of Sports Columnist Tom Carey (who addressed the fans at the end of the first inning) are most fitting, ". . . a wonderful day, a wonderful program and the best playing conditions for youngsters anywhere in the country, bar none."

Personally, I'd like very much to thank all those who aided in the establishment of this program and in its make-up—what more satisfying pastime could anyone have than seeing the delight and happiness these youngsters receive from the benefit of your work given freely and heartily? May all the people of this township awake to what you men are doing for both the Little and Intermediate Leaguers. The most gratifying sight would be packed stands every night. Again my thanks to all of you for bringing baseball back to the Valley and for the splendid job of caring for youngsters. You deserve credit for doing it on your own time and at your own expense.

Tommy Woodcome scores first run for the Braves as catcher Donald Frieswyk, Browns, waits for throw which didn't arrive. Braves defeated Browns by a score of 14 to 8

Above: Whitinsville Boy Scouts, Troop No. 155. The scoutmaster of this fine group is Robert Walker

Left: Whitinsville Girl Scouts, Troops I, III and IV, turned out en masse for parade

Right: Bill Papetti obtained 24 convertibles to transport our young ball players to Vail Field. The Little League Cubs are pictured at the right

Star Athle

Compete i

A Providence College entrant easily clears the bar in the pole vault. This event was won by Dan Hogan, University of New Hampshire. Height, 12 feet, 6 inches

THE Whitinsville Track and Field Association sponsored its first invitation track meet at the John Whitin Lasell Field, Saturday, June 6. It attracted more than 125 college and schoolboy track athletes from many sections of the East.

The appearance of the large number of outstanding track stars, representing 16 colleges, was particularly gratifying to the members of the Association who had worked hard to make the meet a success. However, it was disappointing that more local sport fans did not avail themselves of the opportunity to see these fine athletes in competition.

The residents of Whitinsville have always been known for their keen interest, support and participation in athletics. It is hoped that this first meet has fostered greater interest in track among the local citizens.

The good that has come from track athletics can hardly be exaggerated. The sport is an exciting one for both the spectator and the participant. There is no other sport which can be indulged in by so many; no other sport opens such possibilities to the average youth. And it is the average youth who needs looking after and needs encouragement. The youth who can make a football, basketball, or baseball team is usually one of outstanding ability and needs less physical training. He is either already a "born" athlete or of a temperament that will get vigorous play and exercise whether or not he is given special attention. The track teams of our colleges

Above left: Entrants in the five-mile road race toe the starting line at Memorial Square. Picture at the right: Harvard University sophomore Bob Rittenburg, second from the left, was the winner of the 120-yard high hurdles; second, Eddie Crofton, Alumni Athletic Club, Providence, Rhode Island; third, Bill Calkin, University of New Hampshire. Time 16 seconds. Rittenburg was outstanding athlete of the day. He took the honors in four leading events

ocal Track Meet

Left: John Lafferty, of the Quonset Air Naval Base, was winner of the five-mile road race. He covered the distance in 26 minutes and 27.6 seconds. Tony Sapiezan of Salem, New Hampshire, was second after being edged out at the finish line by Lafferty. Kenny Parks, Worcester, finished third. Johnny Kelley, of Boston marathon fame, finished fifth

Above: Soaring over the bar at 6'–1" this participant established a high jump track record

One of the entrants from the University of New Hampshire tries to better the 23 foot running broad jump set by Bob Rittenburg, Harvard University

and schools have not only drawn into athletics thousands of youths who might otherwise have grown up with flaccid limbs and undeveloped lungs, but they have had their social influence as well, and to many who might otherwise have remained hopeless outsiders they have given the chance for which every youth rightfully yearns —to do something and be somebody and in someway serve his school.

The Whitinsville Track and Field Association hopes that the town will encourage track for its youth as track instills in the athlete courage, self-reliance and sportsmanship—character traits which are a great asset in both youth and maturity.

Below: Joe Collins, Dorchester, was the winner of the High and Prep School 100-Yard dash; second, Paul Morin, Admiral Billard Academy; third, Charles Miller, Lowell High. Time, 10.1 seconds

In the woman's division the 100-yard dash was won by Marilyn Connors, Pawtucket, Unattached (extreme right); second, Judy Anderson, Pawtucket; third, Doris McCaffery, Pawtucket. Time 12.2 seconds

Intercollegiate 100-yard dash was won by Bill Shearer, Boston University; second, Norman Anderson, Springfield College; third, Nick Gianguinto, Libra Athletic Association. Time, 10.1 seconds

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

GEAR JOB

by Irene Kalvinek

A happy birthday this month of July to Lyman Thomas, Emile Holt, William Sensmore and Stanton Putnam. . . . Congratulations to Robert Ebbeling, the proud owner of a 1951 Chevrolet, power glide car, and to Roy Boucher, the new owner of a 1947 Pontiac. . . . On May 23 Stanton Putnam, Gaston Ayoth, Alfred Matte, Bernard Skillins, Donat Brochu, Aime Brochu, Donat Brochu, Sr., Bernard Howard, Leo Loverdiere, and Oscar Asadoorian journeyed to New York to witness the Yankee–Red Sox game. The Red Sox won, so you can imagine the ones who came home with long faces. The boys discovered that Mr. Skillins has a phobia of riding on the subway. Bernie was willing to pay everyone's fare if they would take a taxi, but the boys finally persuaded Bernie to try the subway.

We also wish to congratulate S/Sgt. James Casey, who was employed as a timekeeper on the Gear Job before he was called into the Air Force. S/Sgt. Casey received the Airman Achievement Award for outstanding work during the period August, 1952, to May, 1953. This was presented him by the officer in Command of Biggs Air Force Base, Texas. This award is given to an airman every six months for outstanding job performance. We at the Gear Job are proud of you, S/Sgt. James F. Casey. . . . Congratulations to Mr. Robert Ebbeling and Mr. Lyman Thomas who received their 20-year pins.

METAL PATTERNS

by Bill Prior

Personality of the Month: John Leonard, like many other members of the department, is a real veteran of the Whitin Machine Works. Jack started his work here in 1911 in the Pattern Loft under the late Al Brown. He transferred to Department 402 in 1942. He is an office clerk who has received his 40-year pin.

Jack, who was born in Whitinsville on January 27, 1890, has lived here all his life. He and Mrs. Leonard, the former Kathryn Reynolds of Harrisville, R. I., have a daughter Kathleen, a graduate of Salva Regina College, Newport, R. I., who now teaches the second grade at the Plummers School.

Jack likes all sports, but is probably best known for his interest in baseball, an ardent Yankee fan, at one time he received offers to play baseball for Worcester in the old Eastern League and for Philadelphia of the American League.

Ray Fletcher, Mrs. Fletcher, and daughter spent a week at Old Orchard and a week at Cape Cod. . . . Raymond Belanger headed his auto for Canada. . . . Lawrence Bombara has been transferred to this department. We hope his stay here is pleasant. . . . Ray Belanger reports that over $40 was collected to aid victims of the tornado.

Andrew J. Fitzgerald, Department 433, has been awarded the Gold Life-Saving Medal—the Coast Guard's highest peacetime decoration. On the night of February 18, 1952, Fitzgerald was one of four men who took a 36-foot motorboat through 40-foot waves and 60-mile-an-hour winds, through extreme darkness and intermittent snow squalls, to rescue 32 men from the sinking stern section of the tanker "Pendleton." The "Pendleton" was going down about eight and a half miles from their station. Andrew is at the left of the group receiving congratulations from Senator Leverett Saltonstall

MILLING DEPARTMENT

by Marie VanderBaan

Personality of the Month: John Bourgeois was born in Woonsocket, R. I., on September 20, 1915. He attended parochial schools in Woonsocket. He is now taking two home-study courses—industrial metallurgy and industrial engineering. He is married and is the father of two children, John W. and Patricia Ann. John belongs to the Blackstone Rod and Gun Club, and is also a national charter member of the American Amvets. . . . We hope everyone has had a pleasant vacation. Bring me pictures and news of your trips or whatever you did, that we may all share the fun you enjoyed during these two weeks.

Sorry I can't accept any more baby or children pictures for awhile. We are overstocked for the time being. If your child's picture is in our hands be patient, it'll be returned to you as soon as it is published. It is in good care. Thank you. . . . Birthday congratulations go to Paul Maillous, Rosario Vermette, John Streakelum, Ernest Lemier, Stewart Penny, May Bolivar, Martha Roy, Joseph Palardis, Cleophas Paquette, Calix St. Andre, Raymond Van Dyke, Edward Boutiette, William Fitzpatrick, and James Daley. . . . Doris Thompson is sporting a new black Pontiac. Happy motoring, gal! . . . The following employees were awarded 10-year pins: Dorothy Seagraves, Jennie Baker, Agnes Cawley, Rose Gigarjian, Mary St. George, Cecile Berry, Theodore Morel, John Ashton and Arthur Trottier. Five-year pins went to Ralph Peckham and Leo Roussel.

Night shift news—James Daley is at the Whitinsville hospital for a complete rest. . . . "Marbles" Benoit has moved into his new home in Rockdale. We also hear that he is learning the art of setting hair from Mrs. Benoit, who is a hairdresser. . . . Cpl. Joseph B. Dawe arrived home on Memorial Day after a year and a half in Korea. It is interesting to note that he left on a holiday —Thanksgiving Day, 1951—and arrived home on a holiday. He is married to the former Doris Leduc of Uxbridge. He greatly appreciated receiving THE WHITIN SPINDLE because it kept him in touch with many of his friends. . . . Wilfred Bouchard has remodeled his home which he is painting a bright yellow. Last week he reported that a canary flew into his home. On checking this story we find that it is just a plain sparrow from Prospect Heights that got covered with paint.

General Pension Plan

Some of our employees have asked me whether an employee adds to his years of pension service credit if he continues to work for the company after he has reached 65 years of age. Except in the cases which I shall explain below, the answer is No. For pension purposes you are credited with each full year of service completed by your 65th birthday. You receive no additional pension credit for service after your 65th birthday.

One exception to this rule is that an employee is given full pension credit—even for years of service after his 65th birthday—*up to December 24, 1951*. For example: if on December 24, 1951, the employee was 73 years old and had completed 51 years of service, he would be given pension credit for all of his 51 years of service. However, such an employee acquires no additional pension credit for service *after December 24, 1951*.

Another exception to the rule has been made in favor of the person who was employed by the company on December 24, 1951, but who would have 17 years or 18 years or 19 years of service on his 65th birthday. Such an employee is allowed to add to his service credit until he has acquired 20 years of service, the minimum to entitle him to a pension. As you can see, such an employee must acquire the minimum of 20 years of service by the time he reaches his 68th birthday. Once such an employee has gained 20 years of service, he stops acquiring any additional pension credit.

If any employee wishes to discuss his retirement and his pension benefits under the General Pension Plan, he should have his department head arrange an appointment with Mr. Henry S. Crawford or with me.

Frank N. Stone,
Personnel Director

Seventeen sailors went to sea in a beautiful white-hulled boat. From the left: the Skipper, Earl St. Pierre, a friend, George Cartier, John Hoekstra, a friend, Stacy Pettiford, a friend, James Magowan, Donald Sangster, John Drainville, Arthur Ashworth, Arthur Frueh, Peter Babowitch, Henry Nelson, Edward Krajewski, and Tom Tycks

The tornado left tangled wreckage in its wake. A crew from the Tool Job helps Peter Feddema salvage as much as possible. Photo by courtesy of George Jones

Elsie Conrad, Department 416, is shown here in a four generations picture. From the left: Arthur Metcalf, Elsie Conrad, Margaret Hemingway, and William J. Hemingway

Eddie Plante, Department 401, received a gift from his fellow workers when he left for the Army. Foreman John Vanderzee made the presentation

Wilfred Whitney, Wood Pattern personality, holds his grandson, Michael Dennis McAuliff

Nancy Gilmore, who graduated from Northbridge High School in June, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gilmore

TIN CYLINDER JOB

by Wilbur Baird

One morning recently we thought we had a new man working in the department, but, on taking a second look, we recognized our foreman, Alan Blizard, sporting a new brush hair cut. . . . Birthday greetings this month to Andy Ballentine, Barney Farrar and Tony Gosselin. . . . We welcome a new inspector, John F. Young. We hope he enjoys working with us. . . . Carl Bosma, assistant foreman in Department 450, had to report to the Civil Court in Worcester, on June 1, for jury duty. . . . Your reporter understands that Larry Volpe, who is a mortician by profession, was mistaken for a foreman at the main plant by one of the guards. Larry was reporting for work one Monday at Department 423.

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

Personality of the Month: Wilfred Whitney was born February 26, 1900, in Hopedale. He attended school in Hopedale and learned patternmaking at the Draper Corporation 1916–20. He had a short break in between while he was in the service in World War I. He worked at Crompton & Knowles for a few months and started to work at Whitin Machine Works in November, 1920. He was married on August 17, 1923, to Inez Wood, a Milford girl. They have one daughter, Jean McAuliff, and one grandson, Michael Dennis McAuliff. They live at Leland Road, Whitinsville. Wilfred was a member of the American Legion Drum Corps; a past commander of the American Legion. His recreation consists mainly of golf and cards, although at one time he did a little hunting.

We welcome Earle Newcombe to the Pattern Job. He is no longer an apprentice, having graduated on June 8. . . . Edward Plante left us on May 22 to join the armed services. Good luck, Eddie. . . . At this writing Ray Fullerton is enjoying a vacation in Key West, Florida. . . . O. J. Chenette received his 10-year service pin from Donald L. Sangster this month. Joe completed his 10 years in January. . . . Congratulations. . . . Archie Fournier is trying to interest Mrs. Fournier in golf. On June 7, they were seen on a near-by golf course. Mrs. Fournier was caddying. . . . Julian Masson is filled with mixed emotions. His wife is leaving for France just before his vacation starts. Maybe it won't be all its cracked up to be keeping bachelor's quarters with the aid of his two young sons. . . . Birthday greetings to John Vanderzee, Earle Newcombe and Lawrence Gilmore.

STEEL FABRICATION AND CUTTING-OFF JOBS

by Maurice P. Valois
substituting for Marion Metcalf

As this column was submitted to the SPINDLE editor, Marion Metcalf, regular column reporter and excellent scribe, was in the process of changing her home address because the residence of Mr. and Mrs. (Marion) William Metcalf of Fowler and Highland Roads, was the unfortunate victim of the recent tornado. The Metcalfs lost practically everything they possessed, and in order to lend a neighborly hand, the employees of Departments 432 and 410, including the many friends throughout the plant, donated to an emergency fund established for the Metcalfs. Steve Bezik of 432 Bobbin Loader section, was appointed chairman, and on behalf of the Metcalfs, Steve wishes to express his sincere thanks and include a very special thanks to the parties who donated clothing and shoes. A special note of thanks to the Ladies' Auxiliary Unit of the Belhumeur Duhamel American Legion Post of Woonsocket, R. I., which was first organization to respond with bundles of clothes. . . . It should be also noted here, that this is Marion's last column, as she has been transferred to the main plant as a timekeeper. In the notes Marion had prepared before leaving us, we find the following news: We are all cheering for the Little Leaguers that play up at Vail Field under the supervision of Jim Fitzgerald, planner-timekeeper of Department 432.

We didn't realize that we had such a taskmaster in the person of John "Bud" Steele, apprentice at 432, who keeps our 432 inspector, Bernard Gervais, moving and hopping around while helping build that new home. . . . "Jerry" Lemire of Department 410 is also a busy man these days, for he, too, is building a new home. His new project is on William Ward Street in North Uxbridge. . . . Department 410 has an expert automobile driver whose talents were unknown until recently, when Harold Kelliher, planner, purchased his Packard . . . toot that horn, Bud!!! . . . We are sorry to lose two good men in 432 welding section in the persons of Ernest Doucette and Gene Provoyeur. Good luck to both of you.

Birthday wishes to George Castelli, Herve Croteau, Ernest Lange, Steve Bezik, John Kortecamp, Jim Fitzgerald and Jim Colton. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nichols on their eighth wedding anniversary celebrated at their home in Upton, on June 14. . . . Best wishes and a pat on the back to Robert Anderson, Department 410, with a new 20-year service pin, also to Henry Charron with a 10-year pin and to Emilo Taddie, Joseph F. Rousseau, Joseph Roy, John Wojick and Lorenzo Boulanger who have received their five-year pins. . . . To one and all, a great welcome back from your summer vacation. I hope you enjoyed it to the limit.

CAST IRON AND RATTLER ROOMS

by James Fallon

Tom Dwyer, former time clerk for John Hickey, is now in the Army. Tom has just been transferred from Fort Devens, Massachusetts, to Camp Gordon, Georgia. . . . The big storm blew down several trees around the home of Omar Ross. . . . Several persons in the department received

The Whitin Male Glee Club, under the direction of C. Alexander Peloquin, presented its annual spring concert in the Memorial Hall, Whitinsville, on the evening of May 18. A capacity crowd enjoyed a musical program which included several selections from "Pinafore." A particularly appropriate background for the program was the painting of H.M.S. "Pinafore" by Alfred Demars. Soloists for the concert included: Joseph Hetherington, Jr., Sidney Buma, Earl Robbins, Forrest Noe, Thomas Wallace, Oscar Erickson.

Members of the Glee Club are pictured above: First row, from the left: Walter Lanagan, Charles Wilson, Earl Robbins, Sr., Sidney Buma, Joseph Hetherington, Jr., Bryant Nichols, Thomas Hamilton, Paul Hooenga, Milton Crossland, Ralph Stinson, Thomas Wallace, Alfred Demars, Everett Gaspar, William Boyd, Thomas Stevenson, Lewis Smith. Second row: Robert McKee, Forrest Noe, James Ferguson, Donald Amiro, Roy Lermond, Victor Richard, William Chadwick, James Gellatly, Oscar Erickson, Francis Martin, Henry Crawford, George Hartley, Larry Peltier, Newell Wallace, Edward Nuttall, Arnold Harwood. Third row: Allan McCrea, James Ashworth, Harry Jackson, Raymond Blizard, William Kidd, Robert English, Edward Marshall, Arthur Marshall, Samuel Magill, Thomas Kenneshea. Accompanists for the concert were: Alfred Lague, and Claude Legace, pianists; Miss Mary Freeman, harpist; and Louis Scacco, violist

service pins. Smile Allie and Supervisor Ed Jacques were given their 20-year pins by Mr. John Cunningham on June 9. Ten-year pins went to Nellie Cota, Clara Shaharian, Joe Davien, and Frank Maynard on June 12. Congratulations! . . . Wilfred Houle, who at night works on the conveyor, has been out because of an illness of several weeks' duration. We hope he recovers soon. . . . H. Bourgoujian, trucker, has returned to work following an illness.

Mr. Leon Rondeau, assistant foreman of Department 405, will enjoy the summer under the shade trees. He plans to retire after the July vacation. . . . The week end of June 19 Mr. and Mrs. A. Cummings visited Al's home state, Maine. Al is a supervisor for Mr. Shaw, Department 405 . . . We hope that Sid Zuidema, who is out because of a bad foot, will soon be well. . . . During the month of May four former members of the department dropped in to say hello. They are now in the Army, Navy, and Air Force. . . . Ben Harris, who has been discharged from the Army, has returned to his former job of chipper. It's good to see him back.

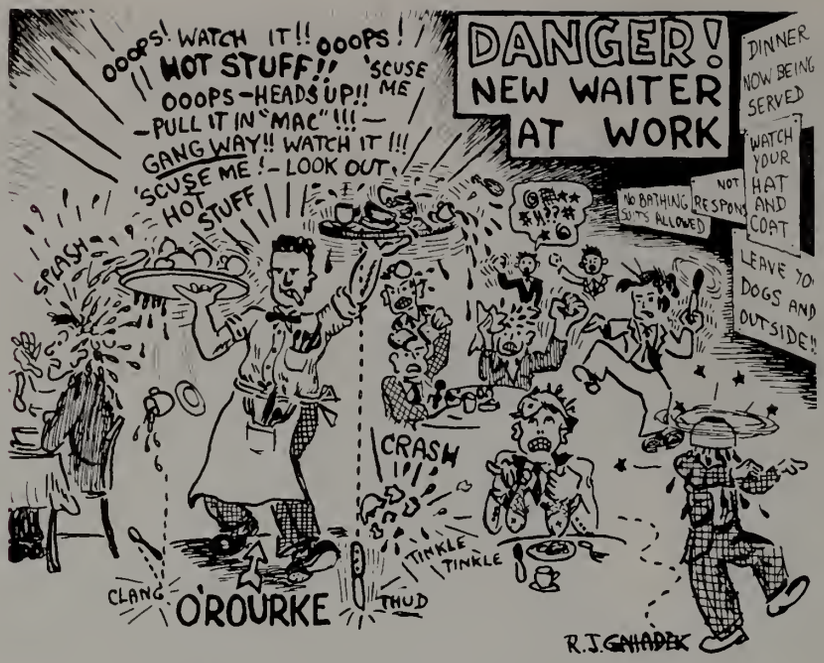
George Almasian's brother was married in Whitinsville on May 31. George assisted at the reception. . . . While changing a tire in his brother's Linwood garage, our good friend "Doc" Morin of Department 429 used too much strength. He not only took the tire off the rim but also hit the floor like a ton of bricks!

PICKER AND SPINNING AND SYNTHETIC TWISTER SMALL PARTS

by Grace Bedrosian

Our Personality of the Month is Robert Walsh, the slim, genial bachelor of Department 421. Bob was born in Whitinsville on January 22, 1893, and was educated in local schools. At the age of 14 he started working at Whitin but stayed only a few years before leaving to work for the Wuskanut Mill in Farnumsville. In 1918 Bob came back to Whitin and was employed for a short time in the Freight House prior to entering the service. He first worked under John Wood and then in 1924 was transferred to the Picker Department where he works at present. Bob and his three sisters—Mary, Alice, and Helena—reside on East Street in Whitinsville. Being a very ardent sports fan, especially of the Red Sox, he enthusiastically tells of seeing the longest world series game played, which was in 1915. Babe Ruth of Boston and Sherrod Smith of Brooklyn pitched the 14-inning game that ended 2–1 in favor of Boston, and Bob claims that it was an unforgettable experience.

We belatedly welcome Joseph Tauper, Jr., Onesime Raquier, Floyd Brothers, Joseph Laramee, Marcel Beausoleil, and John Johnson to Department 446, day shift. All were formerly from Department 443 and received transfers recently after working several months on the night shift. . . . Edmund Rattie, of Department 446, is now convalescing at Memorial Hospital in Worcester following surgery. We all wish Ed a speedy recovery and hope to see him back soon. . . . Congratulations to Joseph Goulet and Joseph Tauper, Jr., both of Department 446, who were recently presented five-year service pins. . . . Birthday greetings this month go to: Ruth Magill, Bernell Jordan, Bob Benoit, Hector Sauve, John Skeary, Floyd Brothers, Rudolph Roberge, Laurier Champegny, and Gerard Roy.



Jim O'Rourke, Tool Job, has a new sideline weekends

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

Peter Feddema, repair man, had quite a bit of tornado damage done to his home and property. Some of the men on the Tool Job got together and went over a few nights to help him get straightened out. . . . Anyone wanting to have a very good Rhode Island shore dinner should see Jim O'Rourke, surface grinder. Jim works as a waiter in a popular eating place on Saturdays and Sundays. . . . Ernest Kooistra, jig maker, was presented his 25-year service pin by Mr. Cunningham. The last 18 years were on the Tool Job. . . . While playing with one of his youngsters, Martin Jorritsma picked up a toy with a suction cup and stuck it on his forehead. All was well until he tried to take it off and found it really stuck.

Joe Baxter, night shift, calls himself the luckiest man of the month. His wife, he says, started his 1951 Ford one morning about 5:30. The car ran away with her, went into a barn door, took two feet off the barn on each side, and didn't get a scratch. . . . The new man on the Mattison grinder is Edward Valk. Ed was transferred from 417 and lives with his wife and eight-months old son in Plummers. He likes to fish and enjoys a baseball game. . . . Richard Bosma, repair man, and Mrs. Bosma celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on May 29. . . . As this issue went to press the maintenance crew of the Tool Job were planning a day's outing at Rocky Point on June 27, with Joe Bartlett as chairman. . . . Hector Girouard of the office force has left the department to do carpentry work in Worcester. The new fellow taking his place is Bob Bessey. Bob comes from Uxbridge and formerly worked for the Production Department. . . . The noon-hour cribbage league slipped four extra fives in the deck of cards to have some fun with Newton Murray, cutter grinder. Newt played two days before he discovered the extra cards in the deck.

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

A recent visitor was Pete Gjeltema, now an Air Force dental technician stationed at Albuquerque, New Mexico. . . . The two sons of Albina Berkowitz are baseball players in the Intermediate League. John plays for the Phillies and James for the Browns.

Among recent graduates of Northbridge High are: George Gigargian, Artie Santuccis' brother; Albert Roy, son of Rose Roy; and Robert Lash, son of John Lash, who is to go to Worcester Junior College. . . . Roger Prince, son of Julia Prince, was graduated from Douglas High. He was the recipient of the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award, and will enter Worcester Tech in the fall.

Albert J. Roy, son of Rose Roy of Department 429, will enter the Indiana Technical College, Fort Wayne, Indiana, to study civil engineering

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baker attended the graduation of their son William from Wheaton College, Illinois. An honor premedical student, he has been accepted by and will report in the fall to Tufts Medical College. . . . Anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Valk and to Mr. and Mrs. Jake Sohigian. . . . We are proud of our softball team's remarkable record of eight wins and no defeats.

We welcome back Florence Zeroogian and Wilfred Elie. . . . Get-well wishes to Sadie Clossen and John Campbell. . . . Congratulations to Arthur Johnson who received his 10-year service pin and to Albert Chaput and Joe DiCicco—five-year pins.

NICKEL-PLATING AND PARKERIZING

by Bill Healy

This month congratulations are in order for Bob Stuart, Nickel Plating Room, who received his 20-year pin. . . . Roland Blondin and Alfred Brothers are newcomers on the job. May their stay with us be both long and pleasant. . . . George McClellan was seen at the opening game of the Intermediate League at Vail Field. George, a former employee of the Parkerizing Job, appears to have recovered from his recent illness. An ardent Little League fan, age doesn't seem to matter to him as he gets around to most of the games in town. . . . Phil Henry has received word from his son stationed in Korea that he is well and hopes to be home soon. Incidentally for three days Phil has had a new visorless cap. He says that the sun does not yet shine brightly enough on the Parkerizing Job to require a visor. . . . Jimmy Grady did not like the color of his new automobile and has had it repainted an Irish blue.

PLANT LAYOUT, MILLWRIGHTS, AND TRUCKING DEPARTMENTS

by Violet Cichonski

With a keen nose for news, your reporter has just found that Robert M. Brunelle, millwright first class, has successfully passed his written examination with C.A.A. for instrument flying. We are very proud of Bob, as this is a rigid exam, so difficult that few college graduates pass it on their first attempt. Bob has worked very hard to attain success. His fondest hope is to gain a seat as pilot on a commercial transport. Bob attributes most of his success to his enthusiasm and earnestness about his flying and, under these conditions, feels that anyone could succeed. He also attributed a great degree of success to his foreman, Bill Barber, who encouraged and assisted him when things looked their darkest. Well, Bob, let us at this time wish you all the luck as you plod on to your goal. . . . Birthday congratulations for this month are sent to Helen Modderman. . . . Amede Roy has just returned from the hospital and is recuperating at home. We hope to see him back at work after vacation. . . . Howard Dunford, supervisor of Plant Layout and Materials Handling, attended the Materials

Mike Ardesian, Roll Job personality, enjoys his hobby of flying

Handling Convention which was held in Philadelphia last month. . . . Leo Turcotte recently received his five-year pin. Congratulations, Leo!

Francis Boucher of 407 and William Barber, foreman of 458, are both working on their new homes in their spare time. Let us know when you have "open house," boys. . . . Department 407 has two of their truckers back again, namely, Francis Julian who served as a juror in Civil Court last month, and Emile Roy, who was on sick leave. Glad to have you back, fellows! We are sorry to hear that Lionel Henault has gone to the hospital for an operation, and we wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Jim MacLean of Plant Layout has a worried look on his face these days. I understand that his wife's Persian cat, "Pumkin" had to have a Caesarian operation and Jim has taken it pretty hard. We all hope "Pumkin" has a complete recovery, Jim!

ROLL JOB

by John C. Onanian

The Personality of the Month is Michael Ardesian who was born here in Whitinsville, attended the local public grade schools, and graduated from Worcester Boys Trade High School. He started on the Roll Job in 1932 where he worked ever since. His first job was filing flutes and doing general shop work for a short time. Since then he has been straightening both on the bench and lathe, and is known as one of our best straighteners. He married a Worcester girl in 1939 and is the father of two daughters and one son. He took up flying in 1936, received his license in 1937, and did passenger and pleasure flying until 1942 when he enlisted in the Army Air Force Reserve. After taking a four-month course, he served as a flying instructor.

In his younger days he was quite a motorcycle driver but gave it up when he started flying. His other hobbies are repairing things and building. A few years back, he built a beautiful home on Highland Street in town.

We congratulate Harold O'Connell who received his 30-year service pin recently; Henry Tatro who received his 20-year service pin; and Victor Picotte who received his 10-year service pin. . . . We wish John Rutana and A. F. Gill a speedy recovery. They are out because of illness. . . . We're glad to see Henry Gagne back to work after being absent because of an operation. . . . We wish to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Nuno Gomes who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary June 14 with a family gathering. Nuno is better known on the Job as "Lefty." . . . Birthday greetings for the month go to Wilfred Henault and John Hendrickson.

ROLL AND BRUSH JOB

by Louise Sohigian

We welcome back Fred Tebeau who has been out on a long sick leave. . . . The Needle Job has been moved down here from the shop and we are very happy to welcome all the new workers. . . . Congratulations to Bill Prior, whose son Eddie graduated from Northbridge High. He played exceptionally well on several athletic teams. . . . Also to Albert Dix, whose son graduated from Clark University and has now accepted a job with a Chemical Company in Florida.

Our office clerk, "Wedgie" Exposito, accompanied by her husband, made a trip to New York to visit her brother Henry who is stationed at Sampson. . . . Also taking a week-end trip to New York were Ann Mantell and Mrs. Spencer, the time clerk of Department 450. . . . Birthday candles were lit this month for Edyth Casey and Bill Prior.

SPINDLE JOB

by Ed Bates

Personality of the Month: Robert Swan, born in Framingham, started work here on the whorl automatics. After three years he was moved to polishing spindles. He has been a grinder hand for about two years. Bob was overseas for 20 months with the 29th Infantry Division and received the Purple Heart for shrapnel wounds. . . . Dave Cooper was given his 30-year pin in May. . . . Henry Ebbeling received his 20-year pin on June 9.

Robert Swan, Spindle Job personality, is shown grinding spindles

Nuno Gomes, Roll Job and Mrs. Gomes, hold their grandson Jimmy Ezzo

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

Well, things are looking much brighter these days on the Bolster Job. The new strings of lights we have are so strong that a number of men are wearing sun glasses. . . . Welcome Marshall had a '36 Chevrolet which he took down to have overhauled. He told Armand Lavallee that before he knew it he had a '49 Chevrolet. . . . The softball team representing our department has done pretty well so far. They are currently in fourth place with a seven and four record. If we keep this pace we are pretty sure of making a playoff berth. No single individual is responsible for our present position. I think it has been due to the team effort to win.

Margaret Asadoorian's son Oscar has recently returned from duty in Korea. . . . Another deep-sea fishing party from the department went out the first Sunday in June. Those from the department that went were L. Harding, L. Duhamel and R. Cochrane. L. Harding won the prize for the smallest fish and L. Duhamel won the prize for the largest fish. . . . We had quite a few service pins awarded this month: Leo Bouley and Ed Roberts received 20-year pins; Jeff Powers his 15-year pin; and Michael Swiscz, Margaret Asadoorian and Severin Houle their 10-year pins. . . I sincerely hope that by the time you read this column you will all have had a wonderful vacation.

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

Austin L. Carter is this month's Personality. "Jack," as he is known to his many friends, was born April 8, 1922, in Uxbridge. He received his education in the Sutton schools. On September 18, 1944, he married the former Jeanette O'Brien of Manchaug and they have one son, Austin, Jr., five years old. They make their home on Main Street, Manchaug. Jack served 38 months in the U. S. Army during World War II, seeing duty in Europe. He lists his hobbies as fishing and auto racing.

Miss Paulette Gauthier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Gauthier of 20 Crescent Street, was among the dancers in the Dorothy Jordan Review which took place June 13 at

Old Sturbridge Has New Amphitheatre

In this 1600 capacity natural outdoor amphitheatre at Old Sturbridge the New England classic, "The Devil and Daniel Webster," will be presented at 8:45 every evening except Mondays from July 18 through August 30. Combining drama, music and dancing, the production brings to this area a cast of New York opera and ballet stars and an orchestra composed of members of the Hartford, New Orleans and Boston Symphony Orchestras. The general admission price is $1.80. Reserved seats are $2.40 and $3.00

In the play Jabez Stone, a New Hampshire farmer, has sold his soul to the Devil, and objects when the Devil tries to collect. Daniel Webster takes his case and pleads it before a judge and jury of American traitors summoned straight from Hell itself

the Worcester Auditorium. Paulette took part in two group numbers, doing ballet and tap dancing. She is seven years old and has been taking lessons in dancing for three years. George is a molder on the 1500 Herman Machine. . . . Good luck to Thomas Melia on his new job as a shop guard. He worked on the Roller Beam Floor before he left. . . . We know that all of you have read about the tornado that struck the Worcester area on June 9. But, what we perhaps don't realize is how many of our co-workers here in the Foundry were affected by this terrible disaster. First, we wish to express our sympathy to the family of Mr. and Mrs. Raymon Meader on the death of Mrs. Meader's sister, Mrs. Arthur Harrison, who was killed when the tornado struck her home on Chevy Chase Avenue, Worcester. Their home was completely demolished. Her husband was on the way back from Boston where he was employed at the time of the disaster. . . . We want to wish a quick recovery to the family of Mrs. Charles Vorren, aunt of Gerald Rutherford, who suffered injuries from the tornado when it struck the Curtis apartments in Worcester. A daughter, Frances, two months old, is on the danger list at City Hospital, Worcester. Two other children, Sherlie and Florence, were also injured. A son, Charles, who was with the family at the time, did not receive a scratch. Celina, the mother, was badly injured. The force of the wind was so great that her shoes were pulled completely off her feet. All personal belongings were lost. . . . Joe Truesdell's home at 262 Holden Street, Shrewsbury, suffered minor damages. A few shingles were blown off and the TV antenna was also blown down. Two trees were twisted off completely and blown somewhere. Fortunately, no one was hurt.

Clarence Brown took part in the rescue operations. He arrived on the scene about an hour after the tornado struck. Said Clarence of his experience: "It was the most gruesome sight I have ever seen. It's unbelievable how the wind can twist steel and splinter wood the way it did. The cries of the dying and injured are still vividly in my mind. I remember broken arms, legs mangled beyond description, and the shocked look of men and women looking for their loved ones. I hope that I will never witness such a scene again." . . . Marcele Boivin, husband of Lillian Boivin, sand muller operator, had quite an experience at his work in Riverdale Paper Mill when the tornado struck there. When he went to close the window where he was working it flew inward, but he received no injuries. He immediately threw himself under the large machine he was operating and saw the roof carried away by the high wind. Getting under that machine saved him. For a moment he thought sure he would never get out alive. . . . Joe Deneault was one of the many Auxiliary Police from Whitinsville who was on duty all through the night. He was stationed on Hill Street in the damaged area.

Congratulations to Ernest Robellard and Henry Desvoyaux, who recently received their five-year service pins. The presentation was made by Mr. Roland Hanson, assistant foundry superintendent.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond A. Robinson who celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary the 31st of May. She

was the former Jeannette Herbert. They have four children, two sons, Raymond, Jr., and Richard, and two daughters, Barbara Ann and Gail. They make their home at 158 Oak Street, North Smithfield, R. I.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jean Roy who celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary, June 13. She was the former Leontine Brouch. They have five children, a son, Leopold, and four daughters, Theresa, Mary, Irene, and Lucien. They make their home at 76 Oak Street, Linwood.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lambert who celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary, May 30. She was the former Malvina Boison of Manville, R. I. They have three sons, Andre, Jean, and Roger. They make their home at 132 Maple Street, Manville, R. I.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Oles who celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary on June 25. She was the former Celia Bilodeau of Uxbridge. They have two children, a son, John Stanley, and a daughter, Mary Sheila. They make their home at Homeward Avenue, Uxbridge.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Roco Merolli who celebrated their 16th wedding anniversary, June 26. She was the former Lillian Thompson of Whitinsville, Mass. They have one son, Francis, and make their home at 73 Walnut Street, Whitinsville.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Tessier who celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary on June 24. She was the former Ella Paget. They have three sons, Norman, Jr., Ronald Arthur, and Paul Roger. They make their home on Butler Street, Blackstone, Mass.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

Congratulations to Mrs. Virginia Gervais and to Arthur Malo on the receipt of their five-year service pins. . . . The Receiving Department enjoyed a picnic at Mary Hayward's camp on Whitin Reservoir on June 17. . . . The recent tornado did considerable damage to the roof of Arthur Malo's house. . . . Marcel Turgeon has been appointed the chief air raid warden of the Linwood section.

The son and daughter of Joseph Grivers are outstanding among today's up-and-coming generation. His daughter Ann, a student at Bryant College, was a DAR Pilgrim, is vice-president of her class, and has been chosen "Co-Ed of the Week." His son, Joseph, Jr., has graduated from the University of Rhode Island as a civil engineer. These young people would be a credit to any family and we join Joseph, Sr., in his proud moment. . . . Fred Demars, who is in the Hahnemann Hospital, is wished a speedy recovery by the members of this department.

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

By the time you read this copy of the SPINDLE you will have had your vacation and be "back in the saddle" again. We hope no mishaps marred those two weeks for you. . . . Our best wishes go to the boys, who through industrial reasons were transferred to other departments—Alfred Chauvin, Arthur Thifault, Titus Ebbeling, Jr., Peter Berthelette, Alfred Brothers, Joseph Thibault, Alphonse Boisvert, Wilfred Turgeon, and Leo Joanis. Leo was married on July 11. . . . Our best wishes go to Ann Gniadek on her leaving to take up household tasks. . . . In gathering information from different fellow workers as to "who" was going "where" it was surprising to find so many whose vacation spot was their own back yard. . . . New York City and New Jersey feature the best week-end spots. Over the 7th of June, Peter Kooistra, Kay Ebbeling, and your reporter could have been found in northern New Jersey.

The Ring Job was visited recently by Messrs. J. DeJong and Arthur Litke, for the purpose of extending the company's best wishes and congratulations to the 10-year employees who received the Whitin pin which exemplifies this term of service. We wish to add our sincere felicitations to the following: Adrien "Tut" Morin, Leo Joanis, Joseph Thibault, Alice Travaille, Beryle Doble, and Alfred Brothers.

Personality of the Month: Joseph Morin, age 64, who was born in the Province of Quebec, is an outstanding personality. His health not being up to par in recent months, he has spent considerable time at home. At death's door on one or two occasions he has been refused admittance through the prayers of numerous friends and his own vitality. This alone would make it seem he is an unusual individual. He is the father of seven sons and a daughter. He lives with his wife and younger children on Border Street in town. Four sons are employed in the plant—Maurice, Garage; John, Gear Job; Alfred, Tool Job; and Adrien, Ring Job. The picture is the only one they have of the family all together, due to the fact that one of the sons has always been away in the services, five having been in the U. S. Armed Forces somewhere in the world. Joe was the first man to own an automobile in the village of Armagh, P. Q., and therefore set up a garage business repairing his car and those purchased later in the village. He came to Whitin 31 years ago. He expects to be back with us on July 20, health permitting. He has the new universal hobby—TV.

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREWS

by William Scanlon

Erle Simmons and family enjoyed a three-day trip to Washington, D. C. While there Erle not only visited his sister but also managed to find time to do a little sight-seeing. . . . Alex St. Germain of Charlie Common's department celebrated his 40th wedding anniversary at his home on June 17. Alex received many gifts from friends and relatives. The boys hope that he'll celebrate many more anniversaries. . . . Donald White, formerly an outstanding athlete at Northbridge High School, is a new member of Charlie Common's department. The fellows welcome him to the job. . . . Joseph Bosquet, crane operator, has returned to

Two members of the Bolster Job, L. Duhamel, second from the left, and Ray Fortier, third from the left went deep-sea fishing last month. They brought back this photograph to prove they know how to catch the big ones

Joseph Morin, Ring Job personality, poses with Mrs. Morin and his seven sons. A daughter was absent when photo was taken

Austin W. Carter, Foundry personality of the month, is shown at his usual place of work. His favorite hobbies include fishing and auto racing

Varsity members of the Whitin Community Association swimming team have been awarded the Whitin "W" by Coach Harold Case. First row, from the left: Jeanne Couillard, Mary Connors, Mary Driscoll, James Leonard, David Piper, Ruth Brouwer, and Marilyn McKee. Second row: Coach Harold Case, Victoria Blair, Faye Deane, Sonia Spratt, Lada Hetherington, Marilyn Brouwer, Jewell Gaspar, Gretchen Rawlinson, Judy Simmons, Lorraine Anderson. Back Row: Sally Marker, Nancy Houghton, Carol Lochiatto, Anne Houghton, Maureen Cassidy, Pat Babineau, Carolyn Andrews, Francis Morelli. Absent were: Judy Leonard, Diane Jackman, Peg McGuinness, Mike Case, Jack Stevens, and Grant Longely. The team enjoyed a successful season and should do even better next year

work after a week in the Whitinsville Hospital. . . . Gerard Audette of Erle Simmons department is at present in the Whitinsville Hospital as a result of two cracked ribs suffered in a fall down the stairs of his home. We hope that he will soon be back with us.

CORE ROOM

by Francis Shugrue

John Martin has retired after working nearly 44 years in the Foundry and Core room. Jack was born in Mosend, Scotland, on April 9, 1877. At the age of 32 he came to this country to live. He started to work for the Whitin Machine Works in September, 1909. During his youth Jack travelled all over the Irish Free State and northern Ireland. It was during these travels that he heard and remembered a great number of folk songs. Jack has a fine voice and many a time he could be heard singing these tunes at his place of work. Jack lives at 14 Main Street with his wife. He has three sons working at the Whitin Machine Works—Joseph, Frank and Emmot. His oldest son, John, is a retired navy man who now makes his home in California. His daughter, Theresea, now Mrs. Charles McCabe, makes her home in Whitinsville. We all wish John Martin the best of health and luck.

Amede Ledoux received his 30-year pin from Mr. Bolton; James Benjamin received his 10-year pin from Mr. Raymon Meader; Leo Turcotte, our elevator operator, received his five-year pin. . . . Bill Riedle of the Core Room has received word from his son, Earle Riedle, who is in Korea, that he has been promoted to lieutenant colonel. He has been in the Army for more than 20 years.

GENERAL MACHINING

by Jim Magowan and Ken Harrington

Well—June 7 was the day when 17 members of 423 went on a fishing trip out of Plymouth, Massachusetts. Ideal weather and water resulted in absolutely no seasickness or illness of any kind. The fishing was good.

Eddie Krajewski ran off with two of the three prizes while Nelson took the third. Ashworth claims that every time he goes fishing he catches nothing but sand sharks—believe me he kept his record intact! . . . Ken Harrington was also in Plymouth that week end attending a National Guard convention. . . . Unless there is a complete reversal during the second half of the season, I'm afraid our softball team is going to hold down the bottom position in the league standing.

Birthdays were celebrated by Pete Babowitch, Reynold Boucher, and Kirby Hall. Many happy returns! . . . Anniversaries were celebrated by Peter Babowitch, Harry Carlson, and Marcel Plante. Best of luck and continued happiness! . . . Norman Gravel, second shift, paid $40 for a car and to date has spent an additional $60 in the attempt to get it running. His fellow workers would like to know why he didn't pool the hundred bucks and get a car that already runs.

ROVING SMALL PARTS, ROVING ERECTING, AND SCRAPERS

by Mary Hugley

On June 5, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Gonlag attended the graduation of their daughter, Ann Joyce, from Mount Ida Junior College, Newton. . . . On June 12, Frank Clark received his 20-year service pin and Ira Naroian and Frank Lewandowski their 10-year pins. . . . Our planner, Arthur Shevchenko of Shrewsbury, did quite a bit of guard duty after the tornado. Fortunately his own home had only a few windows blown out. Nice work, Arthur. . . . Lawrence Perkins celebrates his birthday this month. . . . Traffic stopped outside the Blue Eagle one recent noon when parts fell off of William Lyman's car. He had to stop the remaining part of the car to go back and pick up the rest of it. . . . We received a card from Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Belseth, formerly of our department, announcing the birth of a baby girl. They moved to California about a year ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary on June 17. . . . Fred Muse, very happy, is again a grandfather. This time it's a baby boy

born to his daughter. . . . The girls of the department went to Ma Glockner's for a chicken supper one evening. They had an enjoyable time. . . . Charles Devries and Ann Roukema were married May 23. They will make their home in California, Charlie's home state.

GRINDER JOB

by Virginia Burke

The Grinder Job is very quiet this month as far as news events. We were pleased to have Frank Mancini, our planner, return after a week on duty with the National Guard in the disaster area in Worcester. Am sure from his description of the terrible tornado that he wouldn't be anxious to go through it again. . . . We are sorry to hear that it will be a few weeks more before Victor Fagnant will be able to join the night crew again. Victor has had a long siege of illness and we all send our best wishes to him. . . . Several of our men are enjoying new cars—Walter Soline, a Ford, and Ray Fitton, a DeSoto. Happy motoring to both. . . . Could it be possible that something happened to Paul Neshisam's car after his wife had 20 driving lessons.

James Sheehan's daughter has started to work at Taft Pierce after graduating from St. Clare High. . . . William Markarian was presented his 20-year pin by Mr. John Cunningham and Mr. William Steele. Congratulations Bill and many more years with us. . . . Birthday greetings to William Le Blanc, Ray Roy, Norman Proulx and William Markarian. Congratulations and best wishes to Joseph Adams and William Le Blanc who recently celebrated their wedding anniversaries.

CARPENTER SHOPS

by Frank Ruo, Jr.

Personality of the Month: John R. Bogie, Jr., was born in Whitinsville, on November 20, 1904, and has spent all his life in this town. While a young man, John picked as his life job woodworking, a task he has been at for 30 years. We often hear him boast about "the big one that got away." John is one of Whitin's most ardent fishermen; if you look for him after hours, or in the early morning, you will often find him at the pond with rod and reel. He is not only a sports' enthusiast but is also a very good gardener. Because he is a truly great co-worker, we wish "Boggie" many more years of good health and of good fishing. We all enjoy having him around.

"Dicky" Davidson, foreman of Department 466, sent Arthur Johnston out for his car that was supposedly parked in the lot. Arthur came back empty-handed. "Where's my car?" said Dicky. "I can't find it out there, boss!" Then Dicky remembered that his car was at home where he left it.

Carroll F. Gile and son, Carroll, Jr., spent a week's vacation in Vermont. Carroll, Sr., visited his sister and brother whom he hasn't seen in 20 years. They say its beautiful country out there. . . . We're all anxious to see back Eddie Letourneau who has been on a leave of absence. We hope he is well soon. This is Frank Ruo, Jr., hoping you all had a most joyous vacation period.

WAGE STANDARDS

by John Romasco

On June 4 the Industrial Engineering Section held a farewell dinner at the Fire Station Hall for George Estes who left us on June 12. Everyone enjoyed a catered chicken pie dinner with all the trimmings. Pat Mateer acted as master of ceremonies, introducing remarks by Gordon L. Spence and George Fullerton. The speeches were of mixed emotions, including reminiscences of many humorous experiences we have enjoyed together, best wishes for the new work ahead of George, and a definite undertone of sorrow that he was taking leave of Whitin Machine Works. Pat then presented George with a Parker pen and pencil set, and a beautiful set of cuff links and tie clip with trout fly mountings. George's acceptance of the gifts was gracious, and his parting words of "God bless you, and be good to each other" were sobering. An extemporaneous quartet, Ralph Stinson, Lewis Smith, Don Amiro and Charles Brouwer "rended" several numbers, accompanied by Frank A. Martin at the piano, and the party broke up with a hearty "Auld Lang Syne" by everyone. Those who were not otherwise engaged found their way to the Hilltop Club for an evening of sociability with George. Mr. Estes has gone to the Seeger Refrigerator Company in Evansville, Indiana, as assistant works manager. Our best wishes follow him.

Wedding anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon L. Spence on their 14th, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Martin on their 13th and to Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Lanagan on their 28th. Many happy returns of the day. . . . Welcome to Harry Simonian who has recently joined our organization. . . . Miss Barbara Strachan, daughter of Supervisor John Strachan, has received second high honors in the graduating class at Worcester Junior College. She plans to attend Massachusetts College in the fall.

Arthur Broadhurst has been appointed a group leader of the Foundry Division. . . . Birthday congratulations to Maria Beccia, Marilyn Blair, Al Cousins, Chet Inman, Don Mateer, Tom Queenan, Gordon Rattray, Harold Thayer and Leland Watson. . . . I hope that you have all had a pleasant vacation and didn't suffer too much from the hot sun. . . . Before closing I would like to extend a low bow in the direction of Ralph Stinson who assisted in this month's column.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

by Peggy Beaudreau

I had in my possession a post card delivered by Mr. William "Billy" St. Andre (SPINDLE "Mystery Photo," May 1953), that was sent by my mother, Mrs. Maude DeOme Snow to her sister, Mrs. Mary Benton, on Mr. St. Andre's first day of delivery in Whitinsville. I showed this card to Mr. St. Andre (who is my mailman now) and he was greatly surprised to know that someone had saved a card from his first day of delivery. . . . We are glad to see Zel Benner back with us. She was taken ill quite suddenly, and had to be taken to the hospital for a few days, but is back with us feeling quite well. A nice bouquet of flowers was sent to Zel while she was recuperating from her illness. . . . Lucky Ray Burke and his family! They are moving to California. Best wishes to you all, Ray.

CHARLES H. PEIX

The appointment of Charles H. Peix as assistant office manager, effective June 1, has been announced by Mr. J. Hugh Bolton. Reporting to Mr. R. E. Lincoln, Mr. Peix will continue his present duties and in addition will provide general office services for the Whitin Machine Works and will provide advisory technical service pertaining to the offices.

Born in Danbury, Conn., on October 20, 1907, he received his degree in engineering from Pratt Institute and is a graduate of the Northeastern School of Business Administration. Charles was employed by Norton, by Wallace Clark, and by the Government before joining Whitin in November, 1948. During the war years he was in charge of planning priorities for machine tools for the entire country.

Charles and Mrs. Peix, the former Miss Alice Jaques of Worcester whom he married in June, 1938, make their home at 109 Hill Street, Whitinsville. They have two children—Charles, age 11, and Douglas, age 8. Charlie's hobbies are fishing and carpentering.

At the farewell dinner for George Estes, Pat Mateer was master of ceremonies. Ralph Stinson, Lewis Smith, Don Amiro, and Charles Brouwer, assisted by Frank Martin at the piano, were the members of a volunteer quartet

Birthdays celebrated in May were Harry Roy, Stuart Visser, Joe Branigan, and in June was Jim Roddy. Some of the members of the Engineering Department made a birthday card for Joe Branigan. The card was 42″ by 20″ with "Happy Birthday, Joe" in letters six inches high. There was even a cancelled stamp in its proper place. Both Joe and Harry Roy had their noses greased. . . . Anniversaries celebrated in the month of June were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Roy, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Sargent, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Visser, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Witek; and in the month of July Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bianchi did some anniversary celebrating. . . . Flora and Bert McGaw celebrated their second anniversary by moving into their brand new home in Fisherville. Flora claims she likes keeping house so far. . . . Paul Cheney and Ted Fior, associated engineers of Worcester who came to work for us a few months ago, have left as their work has been completed. Their faces were just becoming familiar to a number of us but duty called them home. All their acquaintances here in the Engineering Department wish them the best of luck.

Bob Crossland has been elected the new manager of the department softball team. Since last month, we have dropped from first to sixth place in the league standings. Wayne Stinson heads the list of pitchers with four victories and one defeat. In the batting department Larry Landry, Connie Visbeck, Bob Crossland, Jimmy Fox and Bill Mulligan are leading the bombardment on rival pitchers. Stuart Visser is our number one rooter. Too bad Stuart isn't as fast as he used to be—the team could use him as a pinch runner. Bob claims that all the team needs is a few breaks and a little more rooting from the department members to make the top grade. Can't we all do something about this? . . . We have a few members added to our Engineering Department this month. Connie Maynard comes to us from Crib No. 6 and is now a tracer in our department. She makes her home on "D" Street in Whitinsville. Mrs. Eva Dumas is from Fletcher Street in Whitinsville, and is also a tracer, and Mr. Samuel Piper who is with us for the summer months. Welcome to our department, everyone!

MAIN OFFICE

by Gloria Marshall

Due to lack of space in the June issue we were unable to introduce two of our new girls—May Thompson is the girl who is now giving able assistance to Norman MacIntyre and Elizabeth Bonaventura is working for Leonard White. Betty is also a new resident of our town, having come here as a bride from New Jersey. Sorry to be so late with this introduction, girls. . . . This month we have some more new faces. First, there is Mr. Charles Peix who is now assistant office manager, and also his secretary, Miss Stacia Mucha. Marlene Zenrick is the new girl in the Purchasing Department.

There were some more injuries to people in our office this month, too. First May Hutcheson hurt her ankle while playing softball. Gert Barlow injured her ankle while

On a vacation trip May Hutcheson was pinched at Penobscot Bay, Maine. Neither May nor the guilty party, a lobster, would hold still for the camera

doing some work around her home. Even the golf course brought forth a casualty when Mr. Gordon G. Spence injured an ankle while enjoying a friendly game. Hope all you people have recovered. . . . On May 27 Mr. and Mrs. Jose Loredo were given a surprise housewarming by the members of their Spanish class. They were presented with some china. . . . On Memorial Day week end Ginny Burke, May Hutcheson, Gloria Frabotta and Agnes Kalousdian went to Penobscot Bay, Bayside, Maine. Judging from the expression on May's face in the picture shown she didn't get along too well with the lobster. . . . Evelyn McNamara went to New York City. . . . Marge McCallum stayed at her summer camp up in Douglas. . . . Most of us stayed right at home and worked around our gardens and yards. . . . Our girls' softball team needs a few good rooters to help them along. As of June 20, the girls haven't won a game. How about giving Bolton's Swiftie Links a little moral support? . . . Connie Dale's husband arrived home from Korea on Memorial Day. They went up to Maine for a few days. Is my face red for listing Harvey as a private in the last issue! It should have read Pfc. Harvey Dale. . . . Esther Albin and Gloria Marshall received their five-year pins in June. Congratulations, Esther!

Thelma Meader recently attended her sister Grace Vandersea's graduation from Boston University. Grace has worked in the Main Office during her summer vacations. . . . Birthday greetings go out this month to: Margaret Guertin, Frank Polucha, Gwen Searles, Vernon Willard, Bryant Nichols, Kermit Bickford, John Hiscock and Louis Chabot. . . . Happy anniversaries to: Jose Loredo, Leonard White and Viola and Vernon Willard.

METHODS

by Jean Cunningham

A chicken pie supper was held in the fire station for Mr. Estes who has left us to join the Refrigeration Plant in Evansville, Indiana. Mrs. Walker had a very nice meal

prepared which everyone enjoyed. Pat Mateer got a shock when, after making his speech, he presented Mr. Estes with three boxes with not one thing in any of them. A switch had been made to baffle not only Pat, but Stracken and Estes as well. After a few explanations things were straightened out, however, and where I sat during the evening, everyone enjoyed themselves very much. We all wish Mr. Estes much success in his new venture. . . . A clambake was held June 13 at Point Breeze in Webster. Thanks to Bill Neulieb it was a huge success. His untiring efforts to make everything right were much appreciated by the gang. A ball game was enjoyed by the group before dinner, so players and spectators alike worked up pretty good appetites. Credit also goes to Paul Wheeler and Frank Budnick for helping out with entertainment arrangements. . . . Paul Wheeler, a member of the Methodist Men's Variety Show, has informed me that they have completed their tour of the towns in the surrounding New England States and a good job they did, too. "Peanuts" Johnson has made a choral group out of some interested males which is very well liked around these parts. . . . We hope that by this reading Betty Kollet has returned to work and feeling much better after her leave of absence for a visit to the hospital. . . . Gunner Carlson, Llewellyn Chapman, Jim Colton, Oliver Copeland, David Magill, Sam Mateer, Everett Newbegin, Avis Hawkins, Virginia Kenyon and Benjamin Musket are all enjoying birthdays this month. Many happy returns! Our recent summer vacation is the main topic of conversation. Everyone got away from everyday life for a little while and relaxed. There is talk of beaches, mountains, lakes and just plain good old back yards with plenty of relaxation. All of us enjoyed the vacation to the fullest.

Charlie Mateer has been having trouble trying to make a tree grow. He purchased one from a friend who told him to keep it well watered. Charlie has had the tree about three months now and still nothing has happened. . . . Frank Budnick for the second consecutive year can boast that he raised the best strawberries in the Blackstone valley. For a delicious treat you should contact Frank. . . . Has anyone seen Sam Mateer riding around town in his new Nash? He is very proud of it as he should be for it's a nice car. . . . Earl Mason was going to buy a new Ford, but after simonizing his Buick he changed his mind. The old Buick looked so good after cleaning that he decided to keep it. . . . Due to an oversight on my part I failed to report that Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Capone celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on April 18. A festive affair was held and a good time enjoyed by many relatives and friends. . . . Celebrating wedding anniversaries this month are Mr. and Mrs. Lou Kenny and by Mrs. Shirley Noble and her husband. Many, many more to all of you.

MASTER LIST DEPARTMENT

by R. W. Yeo

A group of girls from the Master List Department enjoyed a picnic supper at Purgatory State Reservation. Everyone had a wonderful time. Those attending were Bea Fior, who was in charge of the food; Anne Briand, Hazel Creighton, Jane Longmuir, Grace Kazarian, Dot Forget, Ethel Braman, Mary Naroian, Eleanor Baker, Connie Maynard and Phyllis Haringa. The only mishap at this affair was that the girls were going to play softball but forgot the ball.

Rita Baillargeon has returned to work—all of us are glad to see her back. . . . Birthday greetings to: Joe Roche, Jim McRoberts, Jane Longmuir, Doc Couillard, Roy Burroughs, Felix Youngsma and Elsie Davidson. . . . Anniversary wishes to: Ed and Bea Fior, Adam and Elsie Davidson, Jim and Lillian Davidson and Jim and Kay Ashworth.

MYSTERY PHOTO—Last month's man of mystery was Lee McFarland of the Sales Department. Can you identify the broad-shouldered youth with the striped tie who is now a man of mature years?

COST DEPARTMENT

by Dick Hanny and Cleve Reynolds

Lillian Kollett has returned after a leave of absence due to an automobile accident. Nice to see you back, Lillian. . . . Greetings to James West, a former employee, now a teacher in the local schools, who is returning for the summer. . . . Roy Benner joined the "53" club with a new Dodge. Cars new to them: Ted Fronczak—a '49 Plymouth and John Chatty—a '49 Chevrolet. . . . Our gals held a surprise shower June 3 at The Meadows for Mary Gibbons and Marguerite Turcotte. An enjoyable evening for everyone according to all reports. . . . Pauline Hagan received her 10-year pin in June. She and Leo made their annual trip

Five men of distinction at the annual Credit Union Convention at the New Ocean House, Swampscott. From the left, front row: Carl Johnson, Ernest Hartshorn, and Eino Johnson; rear row: Henry Crawford and Lawrence Gilmore

to Alton Bay for the July 4 week end. . . . Howard Anderson's latest fishing trip was much more rewarding than his previous experience in Cape Cod Canal. Not content to catch the most fish, he had to show his skill by catching two fish at once. How about the one that got away, Howard? . . . Our new "Pop," Dick Hanny, states there has been "some changes made" in his life. All for the better, right, Dick? . . . Wedding anniversaries: Florence and Arman LeBeau, their 12th; Dick and Peg Hanny, their ninth; Pauline and Leo Hagan, their fifth. . . . Birthday wishes to Herb Barnes, Bill Merriam and Frank Widor.

RESEARCH DIVISION

by Warren Campbell

The Research Golf League, made up of nine two-man teams, is well under way, and although there were a few early reports of aches, pains and blisters, all members are now in fairly good condition. The team of Ted Giemza and Joe Laczynski lead at the present time, but so few points separate the top and bottom teams it would be possible for any of the other eight teams to take over the top spot. . . . One of our members, Sam Joyce, scored his third hole-in-one at his home course in Westboro, but Sam is keeping the secret of his success to himself. . . . Donald Corron, member of the U.S. Army Reserve Unit in Worcester, spent two weeks training with the Transportation Corps at Fort Belvoir, Va. . . . We welcome two newcomers to the Research Division, Tom Cody, formerly an erector, and Alden Toomey, a recent graduate of the apprentice training program. . . . Ed Perry and his family have moved to 12 Whitin Avenue from East Douglas. We hope they will be happy in our town.

Maynard Krull, foreman of the Machine Shop, was out for a few days due to an injury suffered when he dropped a heavy roll on his foot. . . . A few cases of sunburn have been reported at this writing but we are sure everyone will be tanned pretty well by the time they are reading this. Vacation trips are the topic of the day. . . . John O'Brien left us on May 29 to accept a position with the Penn Worsted Company in Philadelphia. We miss those discussions about politics, John, but wish you the best of luck. . . . Pat Kelly received his degree, Associate in Engineering, from Worcester Junior College on June 12. No more pencils, no more books. . . . Ray Gautreau has talked a lot lately about digging a swimming pool in his back yard. Guess he is waiting for some offers of help from his "friends." . . . Francis Lash and John Dudley are being kept quite busy with their Little League teams. . . . Joe Kostka is now in the process of building a garage.

Arthur Malo, Traffic Department, was married to Cecile Gauthier, in St. Augustine Church, Millville, April 25

On May 21 the girls of the Freight House held a prenuptial shower at the home of Mrs. Armand Turcotte, Woonsocket, for Pauline Bellerose who is to be the bride of Raymond Richards. From the left, first row: Mildred Cook; second row: Helen Conway, Nancy Britten, Pauline Bellerose, Charlotte Ingham, Mary Haywood, and Barbara McFarlane; third row: Beatrice Carpenter, Rita Picard, Janet McCabe, Virginia Gervais, and Louise Zywien; fourth row: Lorraine Dufault, Beverly Keefe, and Phyllis Lemoine

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Tad Wallace and Dorsey Devlin

Celebrating birthdays this month in the Standard Material Requirements Section are Weyman Plante, Doris Kelleher and Hilda Murray. . . . Receiving their 20-year pins from Mr. John Cunningham in June were Allan McCrea, Jerry Turner, Bill Walsh, Harvey Deslauriers and Tad Wallace. . . . For the benefit of the golfing personnel, you may be interested in learning something about a rather unique group who call themselves the "Good Time Golf Club," which from all reports is very aptly named. There are six teams in this league comprised of Bill Steele and Bill Mayberry; Dick Walker and Leon Atteridge; Bill Walsh and Gene Massey; Emmet Martin and Armand Poulin; Jim Kane and Al Morin; Norm Lightbown and "Peanuts" Johnson. They play one match a week with a split season of ten matches per half. Prizes are awarded for each half, and apparently they are worth while, because at this writing a great deal of interest is centered around the play-off match for first place in the first half between the teams of Steele and Mayberry versus Kane and Morin. . . . "Peanuts" Johnson is league president, Dick Walker secretary and Bill Walsh treasurer. How do these fellows get out every week? At the end of the season a gala banquet is held and all the wives are invited. This in part pays for the times when the husbands duck out of putting up the screens, mowing the lawns, etc. I'm led to believe that the wives were strong factors when the league rules and regulations were drawn up.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kroll were married at Sacred Heart Church, Webster, May 23. Ernest is employed on the Wood Pattern Job

MARRIAGES and ENGAGEMENTS

Ernest Gardner, Department 429, was married to Shirley Blanchette at St. Mary's Church, Uxbridge.

Evelyn Ashton, Department 451, was married to John Farrar, Steamfitting Department, in the Presbyterian Church, Whitinsville, on June 6. They will reside in East Douglas.

Gerard Boulanger, Department 438, was married to Dorothy Caputo of Milford at the Sacred Heart Church in Milford, June 27.

Francis G. Kelly, Department 438, was married to Barbara Murray of Worcester at St. Stephen's Church in Worcester, June 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Aurelian Lamoureux were married April 18 at St. Anne's Church, Hartford, Conn.

Barbara McRoberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George McRoberts, was married to Airman 1/c Robert L. Collingwood, U.S.A.F., at Whitinsville Trinity Episcopal Church on June 13.

Claire Baillargeon, Printing Room, is engaged to Robert VanHouwe, of Woonsocket, R. I. Mr. VanHouwe is employed by the Rust Electric Co. of Providence.

Martha Ann Bombara, Department 416, and Jean Conrad Roy, Electrical Department, were married June 20 at St. Dennis' Church, East Douglas. The reception was held at Sokol Hall.

Anne Hoogendyk, Department 416, and Hertsen Heerdt, Department 454, were married May 27 in the Christian Reformed Church. The reception was in the Christian School Auditorium.

Andrew Kalvinck was married to Barbara Roberts at St. Anne's Church in Manchaug on July 4.

John McLaughlin, Tool Job, was married to Doria Desroches of Blackstone, on May 23, in Woonsocket.

At Precious Blood Church, Woonsocket, on June 27, Marguerite Turcotte became the bride of John J. Cimock of Webster. They plan to make their home in Webster.

At St. Augustine's Church, Millville, on June 27, Mary Gibbons became the bride of Frank Flynn. They plan to make their home in Bellingham.

Babies

To Francis Haggerty, Tool Job, and Mrs. Haggerty, a son, James Philip, on May 24.

To Charles Stuart, Tool Job, and Mrs. Stuart, a daughter, Carolyn, on May 17.

To Wilfred San Souci and Mrs. San Souci, a son, on June 14.

To Dick and Peg Hanny, a daughter, Laura Knox, on May 21.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Leja, a daughter, Nancy, weight eight and one-half pounds, at the Providence, Rhode Island, Hospital.

To Nancy Andrews, formerly of Wage Standards, a daughter, Susan Louisa, on May 25.

To Mr. and Mrs. Geral B. Markhard, a son, Peter Andrew, at Roslindale General Hospital, Roslindale, on June 16.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ferry, a daughter, Kathleen, born in Milford Hospital on June 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gerald LaCour, a son, Richard Paul, on June 11, at St. Vincent's Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Duguette, a daughter, Judith Ann, born May 27 at Whitinsville Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Clement Cote, a daughter, June 7, at the Woonsocket Hospital.

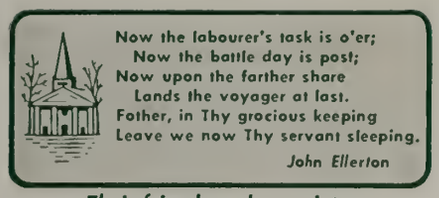
To George Wheeler, Department 446, and Mrs. Wheeler, a son, George Edwin, born at Milford Hospital on May 28.

To Lorraine and Leo Courteau, Department 416, a son, on June 17.

To Jean Guertin, formerly of Department 416, a daughter, on June 4.

To Myron Boyko, Research Department, and Mrs. Boyko, a son, James Gordon, June 19.

To Thomas Cody, Research Department, and Mrs. Cody, a daughter, Patricia Lucille, April 30.



Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Survivors of Levi Rasco, 72, a former supervisor in the Traffic Department, who passed away at the Whitinsville Hospital on June 14. Born in Canada and for 50 years a resident of Whitinsville, he made his home at 76 Main Street.

Survivors of John F. Wasiuk, Sr., of D Street. Born in Poland, he came to the United States in 1900 and had been employed by the Whitin Machine Works for more than 50 years.

Forrest D. Peck, Department 436, on the death of William John Herlihy, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Herlihy of Westboro, who passed away on May 22.

Joseph A. Greenwood, Department 468, on the sudden death of his wife, Janet M. Greenwood, age 55, at their home at 21 Main Street. They have two daughters, Mary Jane Bishop and Florence Ida Merrill, both of Richland, Washington, and five grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden A. Rosa on the death of Mathew B. McCreadie, Jr., a twin brother of Mrs. Rosa.

Norman Shaw, Payroll Department, on the death of his father, Martin Shaw.

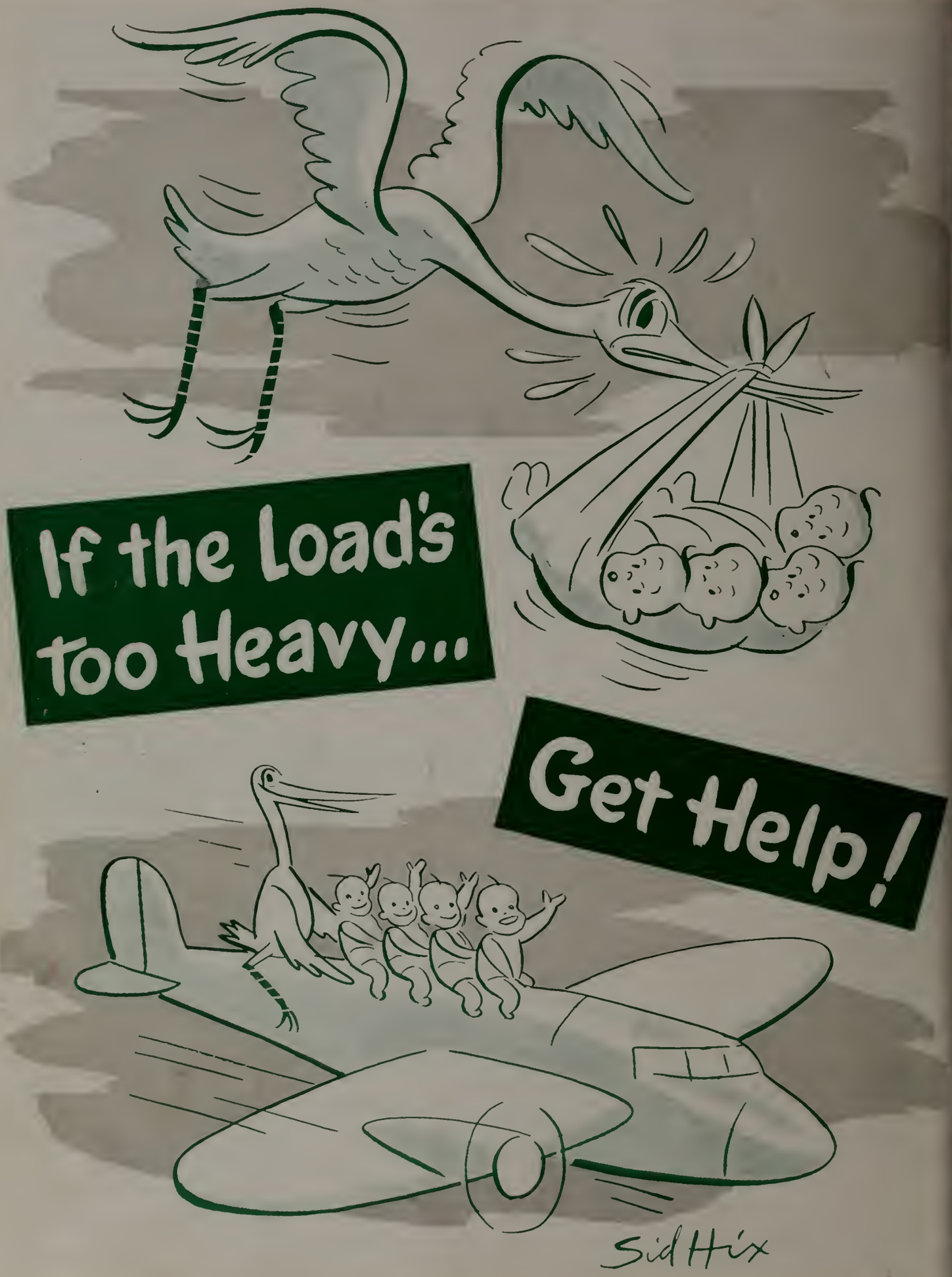
Survivors of James McKane who died last month.

Survivors of Mrs. Arthur Harrison, who was killed in the tornado.

Herbert Smith whose mother has passed away.

Thadeus Giemza and family on the death of his father, Louis Giemza of Millville, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Aurelian Lemoureux were married in Hartford, on April 18



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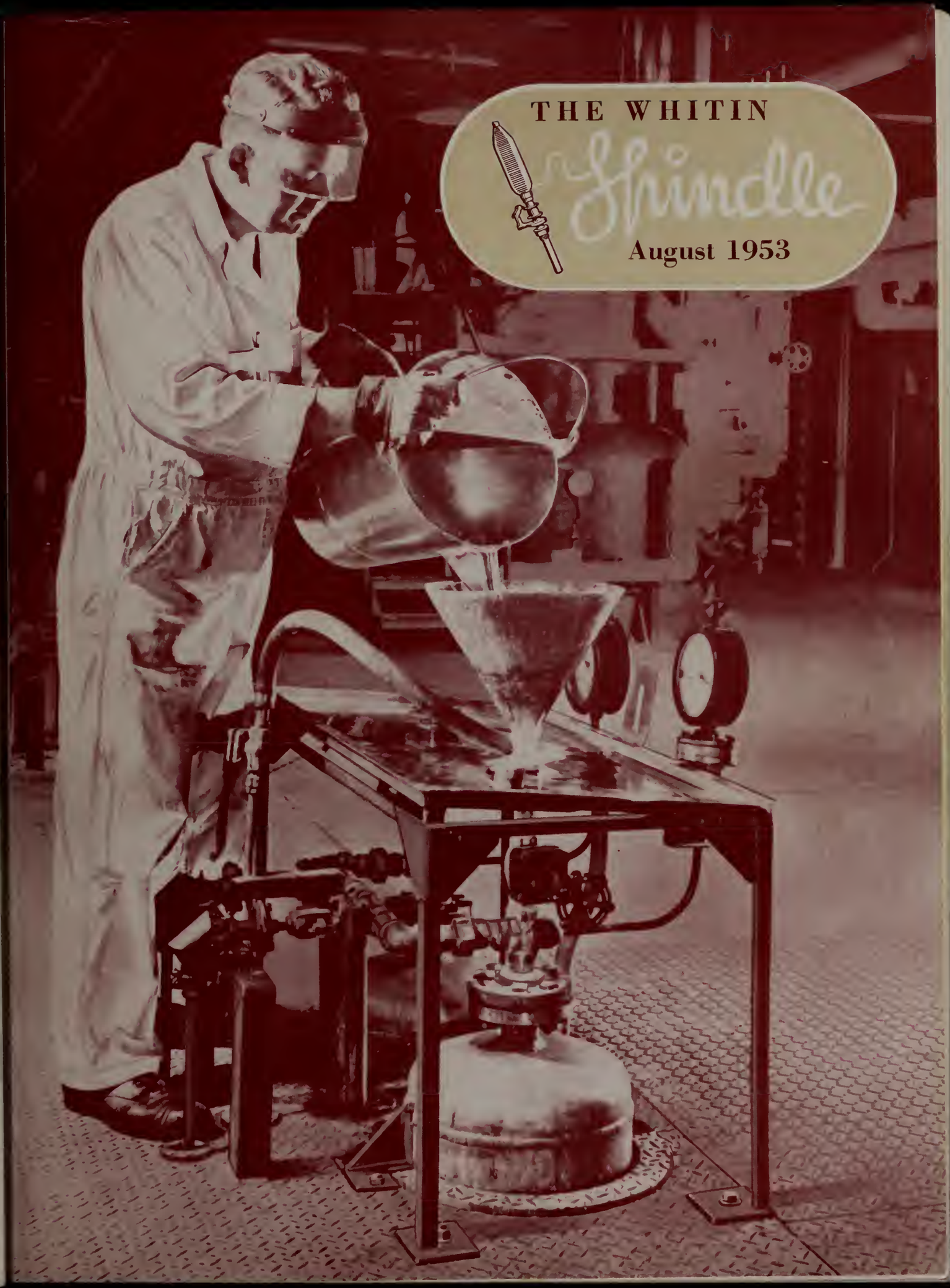


THE WHITIN Spindle

August 1953

Familiar Faces

Around the Plant

Gordan Demague has worked on the Tin Cylinder Job since 1923. He and Mrs. Demague, of Whitinsville, are the parents of three sons

Nazaire Laferriere, of 404, joined Whitin in 1906. He has five children, one a U.S. Army captain. His hobby is growing gordens

Val Allego has worked in the Cost Department since 1939. Known to her friends for her fine needlework, Val also enjoys walking in the waads

Nancy Britton, Freight Office secretary, likes golfing, enjoys troveling, and is a Red Sox fon. She joined the Whitin Machine Works in 1941

Steve Prymak, Department 405, has been on the same job for 31 years. He lives in Northbridge, hos four children, and enjoys television

Henry Koliss, of Department 418, lives at 7 B Street and os a hobby repoirs radios and vocuum cleoners. He has two children

Madiros Hampartzoomian, Bolster Job, hos worked in the shop for 43 years. He is unmorried, and lives in Whitinsville

The truck shipping platform is a scene of bustling efficiency as these men load and unload trucks and stencil goods for shipment. From the left: Lionel Vadenois, Rosaire Lemieux, Stanley Krulo, Joseph Landry, Albege Guilbert, and Russell Marquis

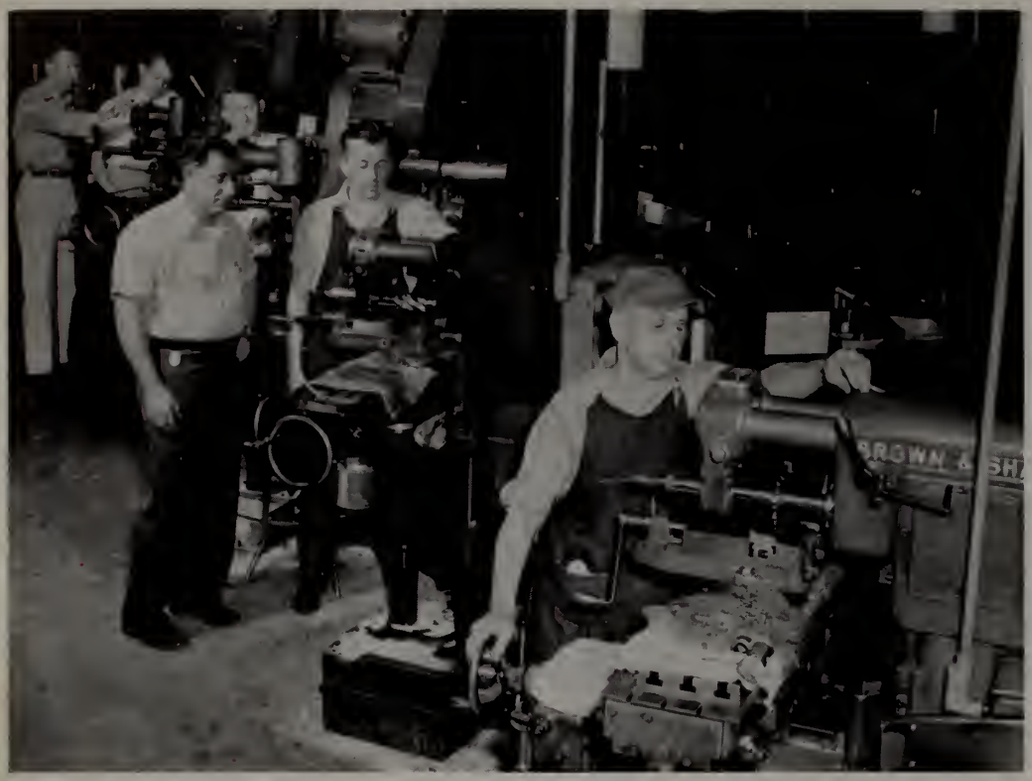
While the Town Sleeps

As the evening shadows grow longer a brigade of production and maintenance workers gathers within the walls of the Whitin Machine Works. These workers—more than 375 men and women of the night shift—carry out after dark many tasks vital to the work of the plant; yet, their number is seldom realized and the value of the functions they perform is not often realized.

Come with us on a twilight visit to the plant. As we enter by the Freight House door the familiar blue uniform of the guard reminds us that men are on watch throughout the night. In addition to the regular duties, one officer serves as a roving guard whose function is to open any locked areas that it may be necessary to enter during the course of the night. Besides keeping note of anything that it is necessary to remove, he reports any safety hazards he notices during his rounds.

The guard tells us that Ed Davis, the Night Superintendent, is at the loading platform. Ed, a tall, forceful

John King loads clean towels for distribution while Jacques Ehret unloads soiled towels that are to be returned to the laundry



The Tool Job works by day and night to produce the quality tools needed to produce our quality machines. From the rear: Ralph Smith, Verne Brown, Gerald Biggs, Supervisor John Torosian, John Cencak, and Ed Dulmoine

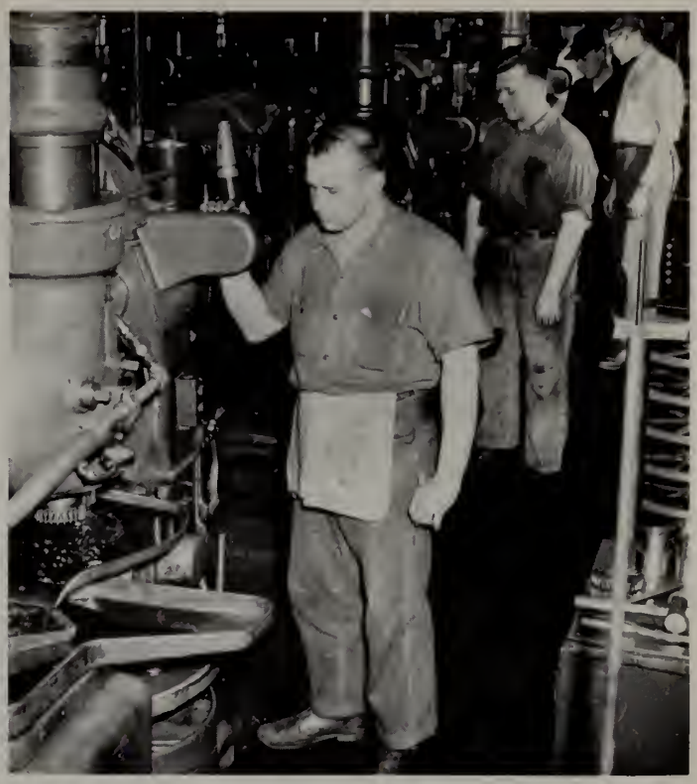
By night, as by day, the Spindle Job is a busy place. From the left: Stanley Warwick, supervisor; William Bikes, Leopold Dussault, Harry Galloway, supervisor; and Ragnar Strom

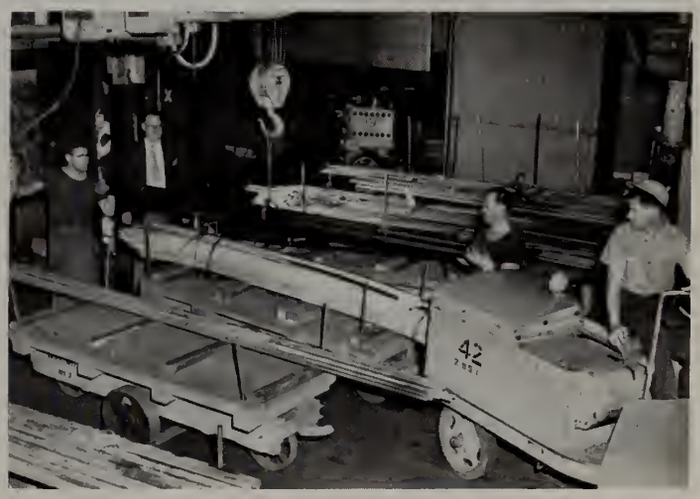
Giving the Soles Department floor a thorough cleaning and polishing are Group Leaders Alfred Frenette, James Donese, and Lionel Belonger

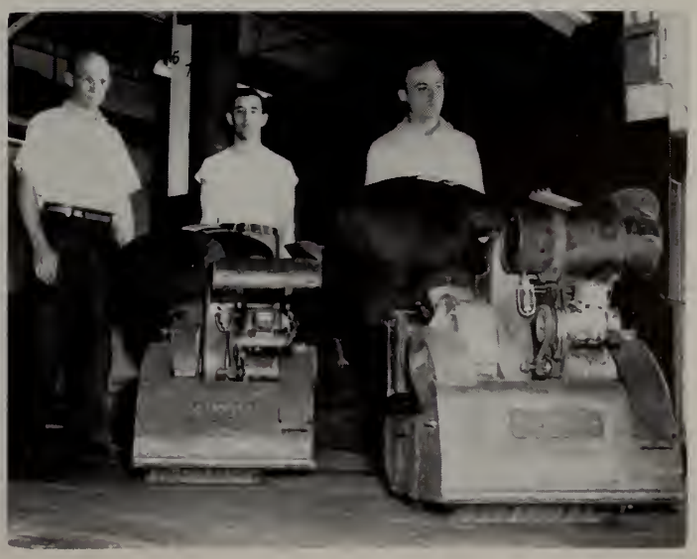
Top: The night crew on the Gear Job has an excellent production record. From the left, Conrad Plouffe, Edward Kozek, Everett Corver, and Froncis Jockson operate gear shapers.

Center: These men ore unloading steel for distribution to our productive departments. From the left are Hector Chevrette, Kenneth Richardson, Armand Beauchemin, and John Lettire

Bottom: Turning at 1800 revolutions per minute, the 30 gauge wire brushes of these machines keep the shop floors smooth and hard by removing loose fibers and encrusted dirt. From the left: Supervisor Alvin Goyette, Omer Leduc, and Michael Solochin







man, is proud of his night crew and talks eagerly of the work they do. His wife Mildred and their children, seven-year-old Linda Susan and four-year-old Edwin R., IV, are used to having their husband and father work at the plant nights and sleep days at their home at 48 Main Street.

"On a per-man-hour basis," Ed says, "the production record of the night shift is excellent." He points out that there are often several overlapping shifts, for if the day workers on a job are on a nine-hour shift, then the night shift must report an hour later. As the supper hour is planned to divide the working period evenly, this results in several staggered supper periods. As a recompense for the inconveniences of night work, the second shift is paid a five-cent wage differential and the third shift a ten-cent wage differential.

The loading platform is a blaze of light as seven men, under night supervisor Stanley Krula, busily load and unload trucks. A boom-equipped electric truck, the result of a suggestion of a night crew worker, makes it possible to load and unload an average of five trucks a night.

At Ed's invitation we take a tour through the plant. The halls are dark, yet here and there there is a pool of light and the murmur of voices. There is a spirit of friendliness as men greet us or ask Ed's guidance. At Department 439 more than a score of men are at work under Harry Galloway and at 438 a dozen men, supervised by John Gjeltema, are busy.

At a corner a truckload of parts rumbles past. The night truckers, 10 men under Kenneth Richardson, make it possible to avoid "down" periods by moving finished and unfinished parts from department to department. Down the aisle a "payloader" snorts into sight, swings into a bin, gulps a scoopful of cast-iron borings, and bears it triumphantly away. The masked rider belongs to the clean-up crew.

The 45 men and women of the clean-up crew, supervised by Alvin Goyette, do the housekeeping for the entire plant from the Linwood Mill to the Warehouse, from Mr. Bolton's office to this bin. As some clean desks and dust, others are cleaning departmental areas. Machines, which clean 54,000 square feet a night, sweep all main aisles. The process of machine floor maintenance may include sanding, steel wooling, treating with a cleaner-filler-waxing compound, and buffing.

In a calm, quiet voice Ed praises the quality of the night

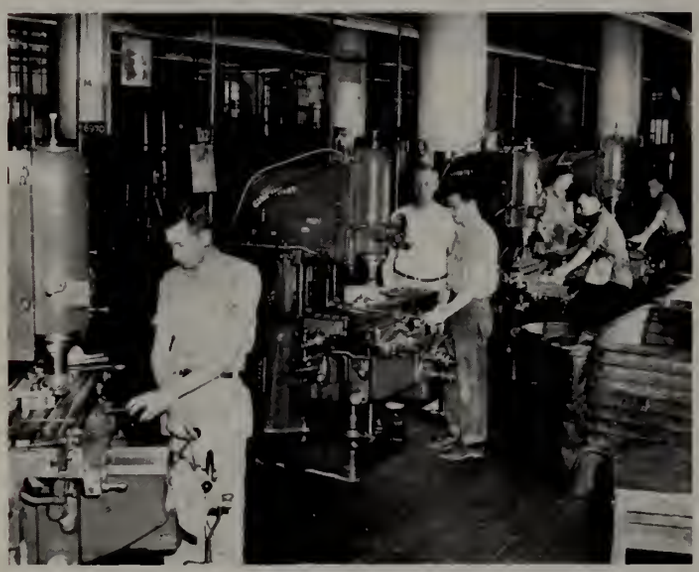
crew and of their supervisors, pointing out that a night supervisor in many respects has to carry out more duties than a day foreman, for in addition to his regular assigned work he may do his own timekeeping, inspecting, and tool crib work. He tells us that certain jobs, such as the Annealing Room, the Power House, and General Machining, have some workers on duty during the entire 24 hours. The 18-man night crew at 423 is supervised by Mathew Krajewski, complemented by John Leja.

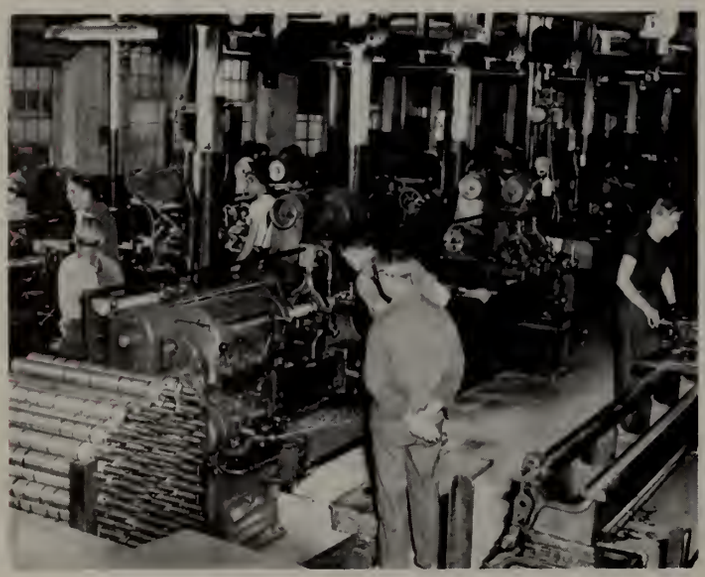
The men we see repairing machines belong to the 29-man night shift of the Tool Job. Reporting to Walter Richardson, eight men are responsible for all night machine tool maintenance except that done in the Foundry. Down in the Tool Room 21 others carry on their regular work under the supervision of John Torosian.

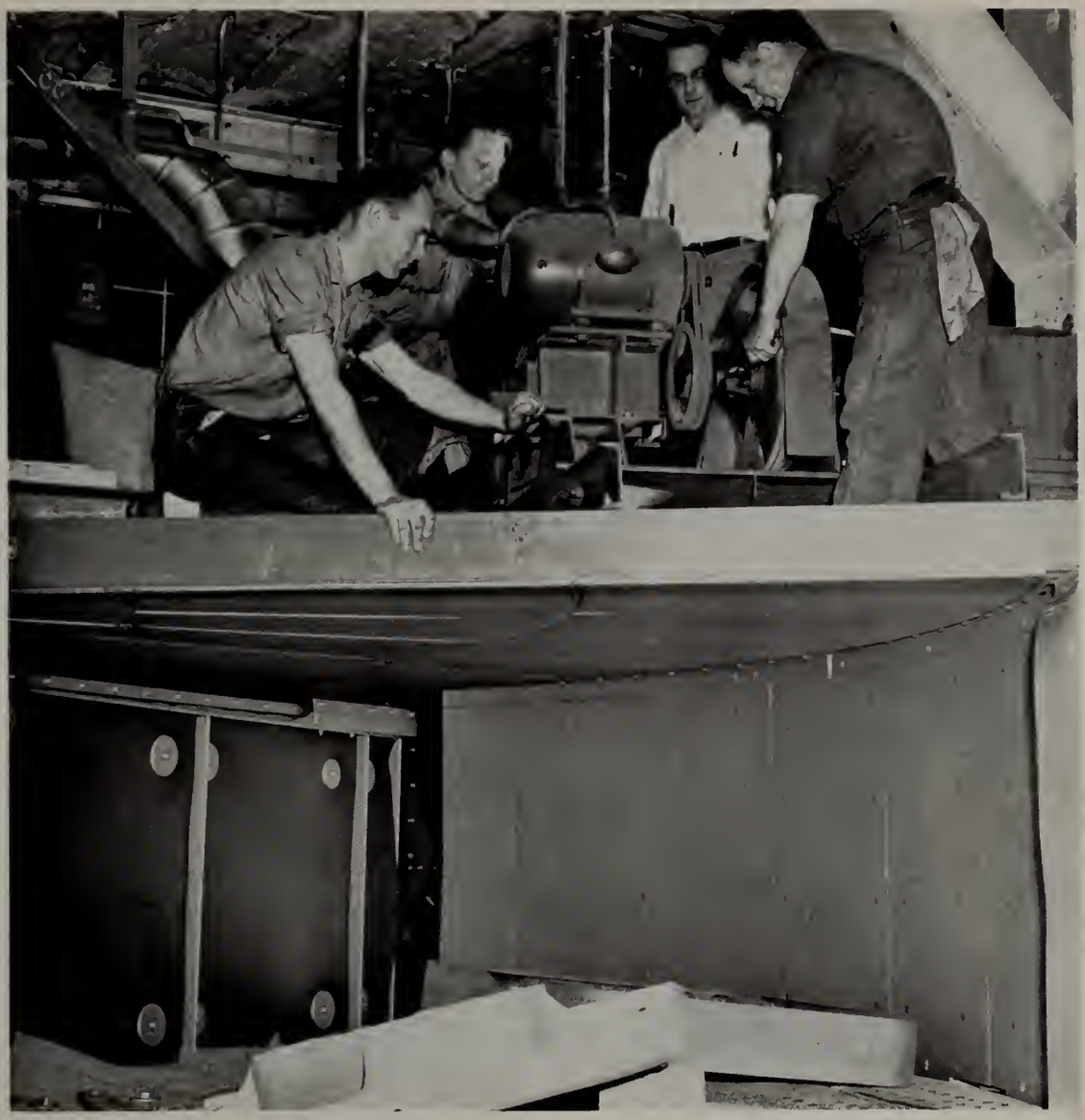
At the entrance to the Foundry we meet Bill Spratt, Ed's assistant. Bill takes over as guide and points out that both clean-up and maintenance work is being carried on. A vital job is the dumping and shaking out of castings, for unless these flasks were cleared the large Herman Molding Machine could not work tomorrow. Nea by the sand cutter chews into a hot sand pile like a gau archaic monster. The 17 men on Foundry cleanup a supervised by Chester Rymeski.

Hector Lemoine's nine men are at work oiling, greasin repairing and making safety checks on the conveyor cranes, hoists, overhead structures and other foundr operating equipment. "Their job," says Bill, "is to b darn sure that the Foundry is in condition to operat tomorrow morning." As a regular routine they tighte belts, replace rolls, repair cables and replace worn part A break down on the "Merry-Go-Round," "Simplicit Shake out," or equally important equipment means tha the crew works until it is repaired.

Returning to the loading platforms to say goodnight t Ed we are aware that we haven't seen all of our nigh workers. At the Warehouse, at the Research Divisio at the Linwood Mills, and in Departments 402, 466 an 470 are other men and women whose work is important Our plant could not function without them.







ohn Bosma, Albert Trajanowski, upervisor Walter Richardson, nd Charles Nutting do mainte-ance work on the big Pangborn

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Below: Russell Braman shows his work on an open end miller to, from the left, Supervisor Camille Bellerose, Assistant Night Superintendent William J. Spratt, and Night Superintendent Edwin R. Davis

pper left: These men are vertical milling in Department 416. From the left: ohn Bourgeois, Sydney Vandersea, Benoit Briere, Edward Murray, Philip arivierre, and John Steakelum

ower left: Working on urgently needed Dupant rolls, this productive group n Department 426 includes, from the left: William LaBlanc, John Wolkowicz rthur Ricard, Angelo Marcoline, Supervisor Arthur Gauvin, and Paul Neslusan

pper right: Cleaning Blanchard grinders in Department 416, this crew removes e liquids by the use of the sump tank shown at the left and then scoops out e solid sediment. From the left: Leon Metivier, Joachim Paulhus, Steven rawczyk, and group leader John Martel

ower right: This shakeout crew makes the next day's foundry production ossible by emptying these large Herman flasks. From the left: Roland Deragan, assyl Kozak, Supervisor Chester Rymeski, Adelard Lambert, and Bruno Baril

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DO IT YOURSELF?

"If you want a job done well," runs a common saying, "do it yourself."

That's not always true. Take a modern company. It can sell its products only if it can make goods better or for less cost than people can do it themselves.

And within a plant we depend on each other. The main job of some is to run machines or to work with their hands. It's the job of supervisors to see that the work is done on time, safely, and with the right quality. The managers are responsible for the whole operation. Each group looks to the others to do their part.

Some things you have to do yourself. But many others we can do far better by working together.

FRONT COVER: Whitin has long manufactured machinery used by Dupont in the making of nylon. Here a Dupont technician adds pigments to the transparent mix to give the desired degree of dullness and reduce the "show through" of sheer fabrics. See story of nylon on page 10.

Whitin Personality

"As a golfer I dug so many divots that I decided that I would do well t take up planting," laughed Howard L. Dunford, "and I now grow a goo vegetable garden and raise a few zinnias. When we travel I take 8 mm. colo movies and snapshots of points of interest, and at home I enjoy working wit my collection of U. S. stamps. But golfing is out—I gave it up as my contribu tion to the war effort!"

Howard, who is now supervisor of plant layout and of materials handling has spent most of his life near this area, for he was born in Woonsocket Rhode Island, on April 23, 1910, and attended the Woonsocket schools. Afte graduating from high school in 1928 he served his apprenticeship in the en gineering department of the Woonsocket Machine and Press Company, a firn he remained with until it was purchased by Whitin on December 16, 1930 Howard came to work here on February 13, 1931.

Since joining Whitin Mr. Dunford has served in a number of capacities When the U. S. and Canadian rights to the Schweiter winder were purchased i 1940 he had the task of changing the drawings from the metric system t inches. During the war he was for a time supervisor of work on steam turbines and later was supervisor at the Winder Job. When the Plant Layout Depart ment was organized in 1945 he was placed in charge, in 1949 became respon sible for the millwrights, and in 1951 was placed in charge of internal materia handling. He is responsible for the efficient use of space and for the orderl flow of work being processed.

The former Miss Jeanne P. Thayer of Whitinsville became his bride o April 30, 1938. They and their three children, 13-year-old Charles, six-year old Leslie, and four-year-old David, live at 282 Church Street, Whitinsville Charles, who shares his father's hobby of stamp collecting, also plays the bas horn. Howard has no objection to this hobby so long as Charles does hi practicing at school.

Howard is vice-president of the New England Chapter of the Americar Materials Handling Society, and is on the executive committee of Troo No. 133, Boy Scouts of America.

Back *to* School

Top: The classrooms of the Apprentice School are open two hours a week for those who need a place in which to study. The staff of the Apprentice School furnishes assistance to those who need help. At right: With more than a year's work before him, Gilbert Boker of the Tool Job buckles down to study

School days have returned for the 259 Whitin employees who registered to take the machine shop correspondence course given by the Industrial Engineering Associates of Mooresville, Indiana.

Studying an average of four hours a week, these men will complete the course in about thirteen months. Successful completion will bring them a certificate and a refund by the Whitin Machine Works of half the $55 fee each student paid for the course.

Voluntarily enrolling in the course, either to acquire or refresh a knowledge of the theoretical background of the metal working trades, these men are being assisted by the Whitin Machine Works. The classrooms of the apprentice school, under the direction of Luke L. Lomarire, are open to them four hours a week. There they may have a quiet place to study and to receive any assistance they might require.

The 330 examinations of the course cover mathematics, elementary and advanced blueprint reading, precision measurement, heat treatment, and tool and die design as well as the common machine tool operations. Among the machines studied are the drill press, milling machines, shapers, slotters, grinders, planers, horizontal and vertical boring mills, and lathes. In the span of a year these men will progress from simple fractions through first year college mathematics.

The Whitin Machine Works has advanced the full tuition fees of each registrant, subject to repayment by monthly payroll deductions of $5 each. All examinations are mailed to Mooresville for correction and grading. The initial grades earned by the 259 men have been excellent.

The course was established at the Whitin Machine Works following a series of explanatory talks to the workers given by Dr. Charles F. Harad, Vice-President of Industrial Engineering Associates.

NYLON

SPINS A YARN

MANY a man has wondered why American women are the most attractive in the world. The ladies, of course, enjoy the situation rather than worry about it, for they realize that they appeal to the eye not only because of their radiant health and vivacity but also because they are the world's best-dressed women.

An attractive product deserves an attractive wrapping. The American textile industry, as any married man will testify, is doing an outstanding job in furnishing the ladies with a wide choice of fabrics for hosiery, lingerie and outer garments. Today many fabrics are made wholly or in part from synthetic fibers. One of the most important of these synthetic fibers developed in recent years is nylon —a product of E. I. Dupont de Nemours & Company. Dupont, the only manufacturer of nylon, uses some Whitin machines in the process, and sells to other manufacturers who may use Whitin machines in the manufacture of their products.

Away Back in 1938 it was common practice to say that nylon was made from coal, air, and water. Today Dupont's chemists have made it possible to use many surprising things—natural gas, petroleum, corn cobs, cottonseed hulls, and the hulls or bran of oats and rice—to make nylon.

In the event you are planning to turn some spare corn cobs into nylon, you'll find it a complicated method requiring expensive gadgets. Nylon, or to give it the scientific name, hexamethethylene-diammonium-adipate, is made from adipic acid and hexamethylene diamine. The first ingredient is made from cyclohexane, which is made from methane. The second is a product of adiponitrile, which comes from furfural, which you can get from your corncobs or other celluloscic materials. Simple, isn't it?

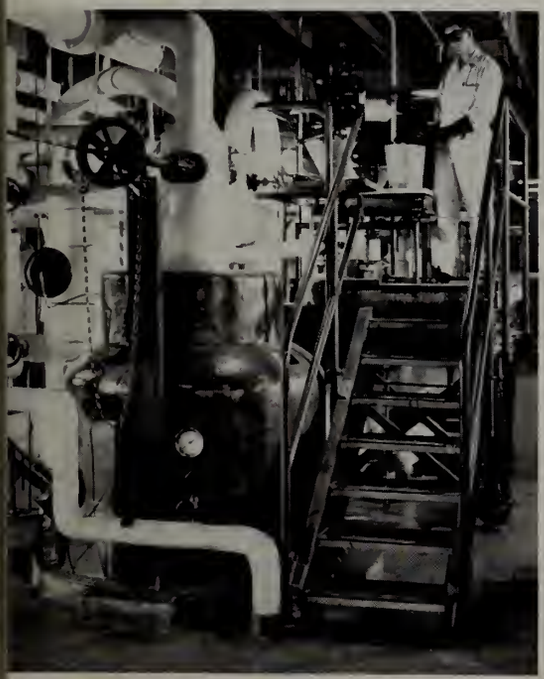
If measured amounts of the two ingredients are run together a reaction takes place which results in a white crystalline material that looks like ordinary table salt. If this salt is dissolved and heated in a giant pressure cooker, called an autoclave, the small molecules hook up to form long chain-like molecules, a process that is called polymerization. This syrupy mess is hardened, chopped up, melted again, and pumped through the fine holes of a spinneret. The resulting yarn is stretched to make it stronger.

Nylon is not restricted to the making of fancy garments. It is used for scores of vital military purposes, such as parachutes, ropes for towing gliders and planes, mountain climbing ropes, tents, flak curtains and vests, anti-black-out suits, flying suits, tropical equipment, glider drag 'chutes, tire cord for fighters and bombers, and paint brush bristles.

Its civilian uses are even greater in number. Nylon yarn and nylon staple are used to make knitted and woven fabrics, hosiery, sweaters, swim suits, underwear, flannels, upholstery, rugs, and a host of other products.

When Dupont's chemists worked for seven years to perfect nylon they not only came up with a most useful product but one which has increased the demand for textile machinery. We like people who do things like that.

Nylon filament is born when the molten nylon is extruded from the bottom of the spinneret through tiny holes in the spinneret. These fine filaments are wound together to form nylon yarn



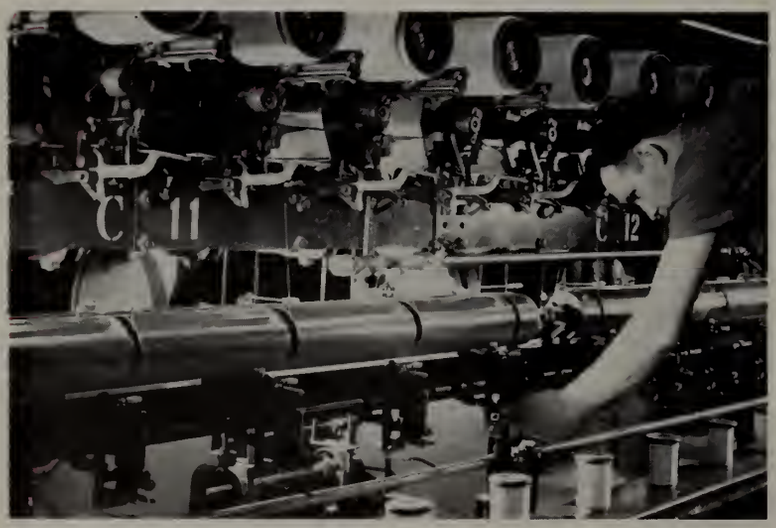
Left: The initial step in transforming the nylon solution into yarn occurs in this evaporator. Here the moisture content of the nylon solution, received in tank car lots, is reduced

Above: Then the important chemical process of "polymerization" takes place in the outsize pressure cooker (autoclave) shown here. In other words, small molecules join together to make large ones, and nylon polymer is created

Above: The flakes are fed from the portabl blender in the center to the stationar blenders at the left. This mixing of batche yields a unifarm product when the flake are remelted

Left: This casting wheel, part of the originc equipment constructed in 1937, is still pro ducing nylon. The molten mix is extrudec from a slot in the lower end of the outoclav and is solidified on the wheel in the forn of plastic ribbon. It is subsequently broke into flake

Nylon Spins a Yarn *(continued)*



Above: Here, in the Dupont Company's plant at Seaford, Delaware, the nylon yorn is being "sized"—given a protective caating—to pratect it during textile manufacturing operations. It is removed from the finished products

Right: Nylon is baked in ovens before shipment. Here untwisted yarn is being treated, or for ather uses yarns may first be twisted and then heat treated to set the twist

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Left: Nylon yorn by the "troinlood" speeds from the finishing oreas to be inspected before shipment. Dupont monufactures nylon ot Seoford, Delowore; Martinsville, Virginia; ond ot Chottanoogo, Tennessee

Center: And finally the finished ond inspected yorn is wound on cones ond is ready for shipment to knitters ond weovers. Dupont has mode o high quolity yarn thot can be mode into high quality goods

ese ladies ore operating Whitin Model D5 uptwisters, used to twist light denier orns such os those used in the monufocture f hosiery

Hobby—

Caricatures by Gniadek

It was hard work, but Ann Jacobs Gniadek proved that she can sit still by posing for this sketch

When our Spindle readers chuckle over the sad plight of the tardy golfer locked out of the clubhouse or the case of the beef-eating praiser of venison, when their attention is drawn to a routine article on eating breakfast, or when added punch is felt from an article on broken tools, the chances are that the cartoons of Rudolph J. "Rudy" Gniadek are responsible. Rudy, a stocky, merry-hearted chap, is a Tool Job tool and cutter grinder by vocation and the Spindle cartoonist by avocation.

Rudy first showed an interest in drawing at the age of four years. His mother recalls that one way of keeping young Rudolph out of mischief was to give him a picture of a horse to copy. He maintained this interest through school, where on at least one occasion it got him into mischief, for he still speaks with awe of the fireworks that ensued when a teacher caught him caricaturing her in his history book. In school he drew poster cartoons for school dances.

The deft hands of Rudy Gniadek sketch a face known to all Whitin employees

He was born in Rockdale on January 15, 1924, attended the local schools, and graduated from Northbridge High in 1942. During the war he served in the Navy as an aviation machinist's mate on land bases in the Pacific theater. Here he kept up his drawing by sketching his fellow sailors.

"Special Talents? As far as talent goes, anyone can be taught to draw," declared Rudy. "It is true some will find it easier to catch on than others, but any person can by practice learn to make cartoons. For a dollar you can buy a good selection of pencils, some hard for outlines and softer ones for the details. The only other materials needed for a cartoon are ordinary paper, a smooth working surface, and an idea."

To make a cartoon Rudy starts with some humorous situation that he has seen or heard of. If necessary he finds out what the central character looks like and pays attention to the outstanding features—whether the man is fat, thin, tall, bald, or bearded. Then, working at his kitchen table, he makes a light pencil sketch for approval. If the editor likes it, Rudy makes an india ink copy on smooth paper.

Rudy works in many media, including pencil, pen and ink, charcoal, water colors, pastels, and oil paints. He did all the painting on his new Cape Cod home at 16 Beverly Avenue, North Uxbridge where he lives with Mrs. Gniadek. He was married to the former Ann Jacobs of Whitinsville on August 14, 1948.

"Do I sketch my wife?" said Rudy. "I'd like to but can't for two reasons. She won't sit still long enough and she giggles too much!"

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

SPINNING, CARD ERECTING AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

Jacob Haringa and Mrs. Haringa recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. Following a dinner at the Edgewood House, Grafton, they held open house at their home on Carr Street. . . . The cribbage battles between Fred Langlois and Pete Young continue. Fred claims that since connecting his garden to Mike Feen's outdoor fireplace he has string beans cooked on the vine, for sale. . . . Louie Whitten, convalescing from an illness, was in to see us. . . . John Fleszar and Armand Heneault complained that the cast-iron stock they were drilling was so hard that the drill wouldn't penetrate. The discovery that the drill stop was on resulted in sheepish grins and somewhat red faces. . . . Frank Rondeau and Phil Holmes are members of the Auxiliary Police. . . . Mr. and Mrs. James Scott celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on July 9. Relatives and friends gave them a surprise party and they enjoyed a trip to New York.

Bob Blakely, who came to Whitinsville from Liverpool, England, in 1906, retired on July 3. During his years here he had erected cards, looms, pickers, speeders, combers, and spinning frames, and had worked on the bolster and milling jobs. He plans to spend the next few years fishing.

The vacationing members of our departments were scattered far and wide. In the New England States were John Masterson, Mario Colabello, John Swartz, John Sitnik, Ed St. Andre, Robert Blakely, Hugh Brown, K. Naroian, Robert Brown, Ernest Pickup, James Hagan, Robert Roy, Al Bowyer, Arthur Taylor and Don Simmons. Bernie Kelliher was on Long Island. New York City attracted J. Baldyga, J. Scott, Francis Coffey and F. Gudanowski. New Brunswick drew E. L. Marshall, John Walker and James Strachan. The Thousand Islands proved the spot for Walter Oolovgian. Elsewhere in Canada and New York were Simone Gagne, Arsene Racicot, Edgar Archambeault, Henry Barnatt, Ben Scott, Louis Demers, Louis Gorman, Henry Rasco, Armand Henault and Dennis Cournoyer. "Red" DeJong went to Nova Scotia.

At the Cape and near-by beaches were Francis Horan, George Robbins, Frank Zayone, Leo Beaudoin, Andrew Fitzgerald, Joseph Giordano, Leroy Krumbholz, James Woodburn, Edward Baker and Robert Couture. The remaining members of the department enjoyed day trips.

CARD SMALL PARTS AND CYLINDERS

by Millie Turgeon

Ernie Bonoyer is now manager of the Cubs team in the Little League, the championship team of last year. He and Mrs. Bonoyer were married 19 years ago on July 21. . . . Gordon Thomson went clamming in Quincy not so long ago with very little luck to show for the backbreaking ordeal. Guess Quincy is pretty well cleaned out. . . . Bernie Lefebvre just bought a '51 Plymouth. Although Bernie had always renewed his license he hadn't driven a car for the past 18 years. He was a little leary on his first trip out, so he took along another driver, but Bernie did all right for himself. . . . Russell Durand has had quite a run of tough luck. He recently had a narrow escape of death by leaking gas which sent him to the hospital for two weeks. Here's hoping the jinx is broken, and that everything will be "hunky dory" from now on.

Belated birthday greetings to Gordon Thomson on the 2nd of July; to Bernie Lefebvre, our Fourth of July firecracker; to Sid Daubney on July 14, and to Eddie Baldyga on July 24.

Vacations: Mr. and Mrs. "Bob" Stewart and family enjoyed their stay at Naples, Maine, last year boating and fishing, so returned there for another pleasant vacation. . . . Lois and "Chick" Blakely and family enjoyed their vacation at Old Orchard, Maine. . . . George Forsythe and family were at their trailer camp at Point Judith, Rhode Island, where they spend all their summer week ends. . . . Glen Leveille and family returned to the spot where they enjoyed last year's vacation, North Truro near the end of the Cape, where they enjoyed bathing and fishing. Glen caught a 63-pound tuna from a 14-foot boat. It's a wonder it didn't run away with him. . . . Eddie Ciccone and family vacationed at his brother-in-law's cottage at Buzzard's Bay.

Leo Roberts swapped his car for a new one. He and his family tried it out with a trip to Canada. . . . It was the Cape and Gloucester for me. . . . Several just took short daily trips. Rita Deome spent most of her vacation visiting in Canada. . . . Dick Sanderson and family spent a week on the Cape. . . . Titus Ebbeling and family were down to Point Judith. They ran into George Forsythe who promised them plenty of fish. Well, as expected, they weren't biting. . . . "Leo" Turenne and family were down around Wellfleet, North Truro, and Provincetown. They ran into Glen Leveille a couple of days after Glen caught his tuna, but Glen had placed it in a freezer down there. Leo had no luck fishing but his wife caught a flounder. . . . Bernie Lefebvre and wife went to Hampton Beach and to Point Judith.

Divisional Superintendent Robert Wilsan mode the presentatian when Foreman Alfred Langlois and Robert Blakely retired on July 3. Mr. Blakely had been employed here since January, 1906, and Mr. Langlais since April, 1909. Fred and Bob eoch received a purse, a gift from fellaw ossociates

Company 2 of the Sutton Fire Department is now in the goat business. Deputy Chief Henry Plante poses with one of their best milk producers

SPINDLE JOB

by Edward Bates

Personality of the Month: Joseph Chabot started in July, 1933, on the Spindle Job where he now straightens spindle blades. During World War II Joe worked on the Chuck Job for three years. He is married and has one child, Joseph, Jr. Joe owns his home on Plummer Park, Whitinsville; played basketball while in high school and later for the Whitin Community, and is still interested in all sports. . . . Al Perry, supervisor, spends many week ends at his cottage on Cape Cod. He enjoys salt-water fishing in the canal and fresh-water fishing in Whitinsville. . . . In the Rapid Service Press Pamphlet "Sixty-Six Ninety-Nine" Mrs. Jean Harumi Farley, Japanese bride of William, son of Elmer Farley of the Spindle Job, was quoted as saying of the United States, "It's just like Japan, except there aren't as many American soldiers here." . . . Recently Harry Galloway, night supervisor of the Spindle Job, saw what he thought was a black jelly bean on Ed Rosol's desk. He found out it was a piece of tar. . . . Bob Dixon, inspector, has been water skiing at Wallum Lake, and is making some new skis. Has anyone an extra "Mae-West" to spare??? . . . Sidney Visbeck, son of Sikki Visbeck, was honorably discharged from the U. S. Navy on June 10, 1953. . . . While in Maine Leon Fletcher received a hand-carved pipe and a cigar holder from an Indian friend whom he has known for a great many years.

Chester Jones, Harold Thurber and William Laplante have been transferred from the night to the day shift. . . . Joseph Bernard vacationed in Quebec. . . . Leon Fletcher enjoyed the scenic splendors of Maine. . . . Vera Carr visited Washington, D. C. . . . Al Perry relaxed in Cape Cod and New Jersey. . . . Ed Stevens traveled to Vermont and Maine. . . . George Fournier toured in Maine.

PLANT LAYOUT, MILLWRIGHTS, AND TRUCKING DEPARTMENTS

by Violet Cichonski

From all reports, everybody had an enjoyable vacation which is only natural after having planned it for a year. A few of the men in Departments 458 and 407 and Plant Layout Office worked during vacation and will take time off later. The lucky people who had their vacations recently, during the good weather, are: Howard Dunford, supervisor of Plant Layout and Materials Handling, and James MacLean who vacationed at Cape Cod. . . . Violet Cichonski, your reporter, tanned at Hampton Beach, and Atlantic City, also enjoyed a few days at New York city despite the intense heat; Helen Modderman toured the state of Maine and rested a day at Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Bill McGuire of Department 407 also relaxed at Old Orchard Beach. . . . Benny Giordano, Pete Charette, Henry Plante, Paul Buldonian, Andrew Cupka, and Louis Marguerite went on day trips. . . . Elzear Roy, Aldor Heroux and Emile Roy visited in Canada. . . . Francis Julian spent his vacation fishing and gardening; you people who went to different beaches probably saw Wasyl Kaschouba who toured them all. I ran into him at Hampton Beach and he threatened to throw me into the icy water. I laughed and told him he wasn't man enough, but after he carried me down to the water's edge, disregarding my protests, and the water numbed my feet, I had to agree that he was man enough. "Moose" is one man you can't bluff. . . . Francis Boucher worked on his new home during vacation. . . . Armand Poulin should be thoroughly rested after relaxing at home for two weeks as did Joseph Roy and Earl Burrows. . . . Toros Shaharian spent his vacation painting his home. . . . Earle Hammond, foreman of Trucking Department, took day trips all around New England.

William Barber, foreman of Department 458, vacationed at Virginia Beach. . . . William Charette took a trip to the White Mountains. . . . Touring Canada were Arthur Bachand, Joseph Boudreau and Hilaire Theberge. . . . James MacDougall went on day trips.

Joseph Chabot, Spindle Job personality, is interested in sports

Al Perry, Spindle Job supervisor, loves to fish

We much regret that Benny Girodano has left Department 407 to become an apprentice electrician. We of Department 407 wish him the best of luck in his new work.

PARKERIZING AND NICKEL-PLATING

by Rene Ethier

Vacation Highlights: Uncle Cliff Rivet went to New York where he visited the Bronx Zoo, and also attended the Red Sox–Yankee games at Yankee Stadium. . . . Jimmy Grady says that he enjoyed two weeks in the hay field. Jim has a little farm and a few cows that keep him occupied in his spare time. . . . Willis Vaughan stayed at home and made a few repairs on his house. When he reported back to work he forgot his cap. This has never happened before to Willie in all the years he's been here. . . . Karl Lewicke visited his sons and daughters who live in near-by towns. . . . Billy and Mrs. Morrisette enjoyed two weeks at the Cape honeymooning. . . . Nap Papineau visited relations at West Warwick, Rhode Island. . . . Ernie Lawson worked around home for a few days but managed to spend a few days in Maine. . . . Phil Heney made a few trips to Worcester to see friends. . . . Anteras Bedigian was busy visiting the hospital in Worcester where his daughter is a patient. He reports she is well on the road to recovery and hopes to be home soon. . . . Pete DeBoer had a wonderful time fishing in Rockport. . . . Harry Crockett was fishing in Maine, his old home state. The story—No fish! . . . Eddie Ledue and Mrs. Leduc went to Canada where they had a wonderful time. . . . Irene Milkman was busy moving from Worcester to Whitinsville. . . . Al Gardner went to visit friends with his family in Vermont. . . . Richard Henry went to Connecticut for three days. He found it very quiet there. . . . Robert Stewart and family spent one day in Bristol, Rhode Island, two days in Newport, and toured other points of interest in New England.

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREWS

by Bill Scanlon

Pvt. John T. Collins, formerly employed in the Garage, has sailed from Seattle, Washington, with Korea as his destination. . . . During vacation Edward Sullivan traveled through the New England States via auto. . . . Archie Bolivar and family went by boat to Lunenburg, Nova Scotia. . . . Pat Konvent enjoyed the sun at Horse Neck Beach, Rhode Island. . . . Eugene Ethier relaxed in Maine. . . . Ovila Vallee and Gordon Milkman were at the Cape. . . . Lester Wallace was at Hyannis. . . . Albert J. Ducharme added 1,200 miles to his travel log by touring in Canada.

DEPARTMENT 411

by Lois Heerdt

We are happy to learn that Gerald Baker will soon have many more fine products for sale besides his wonderful strawberries and sweet corn he now produces. He is in the process of installing a complete irrigation system on his farm which will allow the marketing of many more fine fresh vegetables. . . . Clarence Beauregard and Charles Randall are the newest members of the "U-Drive-It" club. Both have purchased new cars, and after taking off a few front steps and porch posts, they are about ready to try out for that most important slip of paper. Good luck, fellows!

We are sorry that Jennie Ebbeling has left us to work for Department 429. Good luck on your new job, Jennie. We welcome Vera Helland to our department as assistant time clerk. . . . We understand that Harry McQuade has been going up to Worcester and surrounding towns to help tornado victims. We wish to commend you, Harry, for your untiring efforts in bringing help to these many people who need it so badly. . . .

Arthur "Boldy" White, outside truck driver, vacationed at Cozy Cove, Meadow Pond, Whitinsville

George Bielot has taught his pet goat "Fonny" to do as many tricks as a well-trained dog. George claims goats are more intelligent than dogs

Some of the fellows from the department went on a fishing trip last month. A good time was had by all. Roland Philbrook must have either gotten up late or his wife didn't pack him a lunch because he kept eating the bait from George Poulin's line. Of course, George had a good excuse for not catching any fish—no bait!!!!! . . . Since last month, Bill Swift has been in and out of the hospital. We sure hope you're feeling better now, Bill. We're looking forward to having you back with us again.

Since this is the vacation issue, I think most of us would like to know where a few spent their vacations: Walter Lanagan went to Virginia and New Hampshire; Bill Mayberry, Canada and Pennsylvania; Lawrence Kane, New Hampshire; Joseph Bartlett, Canada; Pat McCudden, Hampton Beach; Bill Magill, New York State; Cliff Goyette, Vermont; Jake Youngsma and Pete Vandersloot went to Michigan; Eugene Jolin had a well-enjoyed rest at home. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lanagan on their 28th wedding anniversary, which they celebrated on the 23rd of June. . . . We also wish to congratulate Jean Allen on receiving her 10-year service pin.

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

Personality of the Month: Ralph Houghton was born May 7, 1904, in Whitinsville. He attended public schools here until he started to work in the Core Room of the Whitin Machine Works in 1921. In 1922 he transferred to the Wood Pattern Job as an apprentice and finished his training under Percy Houghton, his father, in 1925. Percy, incidentally, worked for Whitin for 34 years, 15 of which he served as foreman. Ralph has been with the Whitin Machine Works ever since, except for 11 months when he was among the unemployed due to lack of work here in 1930. He married a Whitinsville girl, Letitia Cochrane, in 1927. They have one child—Ralph, Jr., who is now in Korea. They live on Main Street, in their own home which Ralph is in the process of renovating in his spare time. His only other hobby is television. Ralph served for eight years as warden of the Trinity Episcopal Church and 20 years as vestryman.

There were no birthdays for August in this department but let's give our heartiest congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sutcliffe, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Visser and Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Whitney who celebrate wedding anniversaries this month.

All our vacationers seem to have arrived back in the pink of condition. No casualties, not even when Julian Masson undertook to can beans in the absence of Mrs. Masson who was enjoying a trip to France. Among the vacation spots the Cape seemed to draw more people than any other one place although of course that's covering a lot of territory from the Canal right out to Provincetown. Clarence Visser, Pat McGovern, Vera Taylor, Archie Fournier, Ernest Kroll, Wilfred Whitney and Bill Allen spent from one day to two weeks at various spots on the Cape.

Bob Shaw and Joe Fenner spent some time at Atlantic City. Bob Shaw also went to Hampton Beach and Joe went to New York City. . . . Ray Stanovich spent the two weeks at Erie and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. . . . Francis Joslin motored to Virginia and to Ohio. . . . Lawrence Gilmore went to Florida and points of interest along the way. . . . Ray Fullerton, John Vanderzee, Walter Fulasz, Armand Cournoyer, Earl Newcombe, Florence and Donat Bileau took day trips here and there. . . . Joe Chenette took his annual trip to Canada. . . . David Richardson spent most of his time at Whitin Reservoir. . . . Bob Bosworth, Al Sutcliffe, Herman Buma, Julian Masson and Jimmy Ferguson spent most of their time at home, gardening, painting and just enjoying themselves in general. Bob Gonynor spent two weeks with Uncle Sam at Camp Drum, New York.

These scrappy 40-pounders prove that the tuna were running off Provincetown. From the left: Ed Avakian of the Freight House, Shell Dealer George Avakian, Nego Gigorgian of the Point Job, and Apprentice Joseph Zonchetti show their catch

The 15-pound cod held by Edward Krojewski was the prize-winning fish caught on the Machining Department's fishing trip

TIN CYLINDERS

by Wilbur Baird

The employees of this department spent vacations at the following places: Frank Dejong and family at Provincetown; Al Blizard and family at Brant Rock, camping out on the water front; Al Cupka and Carl Hendrickson spent most of their time painting their houses; Gordon Demague, Wilbur Baird, Larry Volpe, Andy Ballantine, Tony Campo and Carl Bosma took day trips to various resorts; Harry Malkasian toured the Southern States, visiting relatives on the way; Reginald Demague went to Hampton Beach; Tom Valis also spent his vacation in New Hampshire; Ed Jones was building his new home; Herve Vachon and Emile Roy went to Canada; Dorothy Spencer, time clerk, camped out near Gordon, New Hampshire; our inspectors, Barney Farrar and Tony Gosselin, took trips around home; Jack Young went to Hampton Beach.

Birthday greetings this month to Tony Campo. . . . A former employee of Department 450, Kenneth Guertin, called in to see us a few days ago. He is now discharged from service in the Army. . . . Andy Ballantine tells us that he has a new Buick.

GENERAL MACHINING

by Jim Magowan and Ken Harrington

Arthur Roireau, Larry Metivier, Harry Kazerian, and Fred Robertson celebrated birthdays last month. . . . Arthur Ashworth, Leon Gauvin and John Drainville celebrated wedding anniversaries.

News from the Nite Owls: Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kesler spent a honeymoon vacation at the White Mountains. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Jacobs spent a honeymoon vacation touring the northern New England states. Mr. and Mrs. John Hutcheson spent their vacation at Hog Island off the coast of Bristol, Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. James Magowan and daughter Judy vacationed at Lake Winnepesaukee. William Gjeltema vacationed with friends at Grand Haven, Michigan. . . . Sylvio Brunette and family spent their vacation at Narragansett Pier. Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lefrancois vacationed at Provincetown on the Cape and Syracuse, New York.

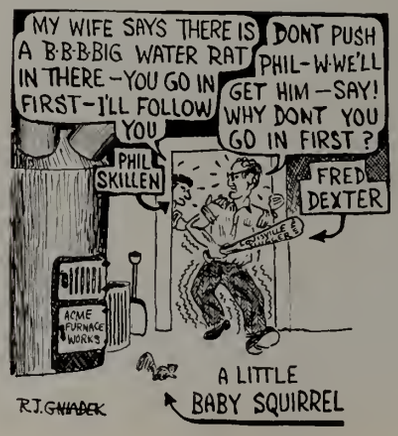
TOOL JOB

by George Jones

Rex Baxendale (cutter grinder) attended a show in Pawtucket on June 17. There he saw a magician with a very beautiful female assistant. The next day Rex couldn't remember the magician's name or what he looked like but he could describe the assistant to a T. . . . Most of the Tool Job worked the vacation period but three men wish now that they hadn't. Herb Henderson had an accident with an electric truck and received a crushed foot and three fractured toes. Mike Petrowicz had his hand and arm burned. Gene Lussier hit his finger with a lead hammer and lost a fingernail. . . . Sid Baker and Sid Lafleur of the Tool Job and Jake Wiersma (electric truck driver) have taken up house painting for a side line. The first few jobs went well, but when Francis Haggerty tried to hire them to paint his house they took one look at it and refused the job. The house was too high. . . . When Hertsen Heerdt came in late recently it was the first time he had been late in over 15 years. He said that being married only four weeks was not the reason.

The maintenance section of the Tool Job held their annual outing at Rocky Point, Rhode Island. Softball, quoits, miniature golf and the mid-way were enjoyed. They topped off with a shore dinner. On the way down Ed Postma (who loves deep-sea fishing) was bus sick. Joe Bartlett had a 35 cent picture taken but when he got his picture it cost him two dollars. Harlan Goodwin had his fortune told for 25 cents and before he got out it cost him three dollars. A good day was enjoyed by all and they arrived home at 10:00 p.m. safe and sound, thanks to Buddy Gauthier (night shift) and Joe Rosol.

Charles Munsch (repairman) has returned after 21 months of service in the Air Force, 11 months of which were spent in Tripoli. . . . Charles Paine and Henry Gammon have retired from the Job and we wish them many pleasant hours of relaxation. . . . When Phil Skillen (cutter grinder) got home one noon his wife was very alarmed. She said that there was a big water rat in the cellar. After worrying about it for a half hour Phil got his neighbor Fred Dexter (Foundry Carpenter Shop) to help him. As they started in the cellar door Phil practically pushed Fred in saying, "You go first Fred." When they got in the cellar they found a baby squirrel taking a sun bath on the window sill.



Al Morin, Jerry Mandeville and Mike Petrowicz shore refreshments at Rocky Point

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

Departmental Highlights: Our softball team is in fifth place with a very good chance of making the playoffs. . . . Henry Gervais with a '53 Plymouth, and Margaret Asadoorian with a '53 Mercury, are two of the more recent to buy new cars. . . . Armand Lavallee was the first from our Job to become a victim of the sun. He received a very bad burn when he fell asleep while fishing. I don't think he will be the last to be burned. . . . We were glad to see our foreman, Ed Duhamel, return to work after a short illness. We welcome Peter Berthelette and Joseph Thibault to our department.

Vacation Notes: Among the many who went to Canada were Bob Cochrane, Norman LaBelle, Flora Grennon and Arthur Petrin. . . . Armand Lavallee and Welcome Marshall were two who went to Nova Scotia. . . . Walt Fierley was seen at Point Judith. . . . Bizar Hagopian spent at week at Pine Tree Inn. Leo Bouley was at Popponset. Both places are located at the Cape. . . . Ed Duhamel, our foreman, went to California. . . . Michael Swiszez and family spent a few days at Niagara Falls.

MILLING DEPARTMENT

by Marie VanderBaan

Well everyone is back at work after a well-enjoyed vacation. By the looks on some faces we know they got plenty of Vitamin D: Albert Topjian, Nantasket Beach; Florence Hayward, Hampton Beach; Grace Griffin, Little Squam Lake; Emma Philbrook, Orrin Marshall, Nora Asadoorian and George Beaudoin, Maine. Emma visited our Fayscott plant in Dexter, Maine.

Mary St. George and Calix St. Andre, Vermont; Annie DeJong entertained a friend, Fay VanderGood, of Ylst, Friesland, near Sneek. That sounds familiar to many of our Dutch people; Rosario Vermette and Aime Aussant, Montreal, Canada; Albert Gagnon, Detroit, Michigan; Mary Whalen, Atlantic City; Willie Hugley, Wynfield, Alabama; William Forsythe, The Hull, Massachusetts; Paul Mailloux, Warden's Pond, Rhode Island; Merrill True painted his house; Joe Popek helped his son build his house. Others enjoyed day-by-day trips or enjoyed lounging around home.

When you see a two-tone green Mercury cruising by have another look, it will probably be "our gal" Nora Asadoorian. We wish you many miles of happy motoring.

Birthday greetings to Louis Chabot, Harry Ludvigson, Marie VanderBaan, Anne Heerdt, Leo Lemelin, Thomas Drew, Everett Fessenden, George McKee, Albert Topjian, Frederick Haley, August VanderBrug, Garabed Harabedian, Clifford Mason, Francis Bigbie, Aime Rainville, Anthony DiCillo, Albert Desjardin, Joseph Beaudoin and David Giroux.

On the rock behind Mary St. George, Department 416, is carved The Lord's Prayer. Mary vacationed at Bristol, Vermont

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

Vacations were spent far and near this year. Going to Canada were Peter Lemire, Jackie Labrecque, Anita Beaumier, George Demers and Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Elie. . . . Going to Cape Cod were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Grondine, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Robbins, Marie Krumbholz and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Remi Roy, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chaput, Mr. and Mrs. "Doc" Morin and Mr. and Mrs. Donald McKenzie went to Maine. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Edward Malhoit, Dot Hanley and husband, Mabel Lemoine and husband went to Lake George, New York; Rose Proulx went to Ausable Chasm, New York, and Peter Roorda went to Goshen, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Friedman in Washington and Virginia; Mr. and Mrs. Sander Silvis in Muskegon, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Jake Sohigian at Narragansett Pier; Pat Clancy in Rhode Island; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pauley at Geneva Point, New Hampshire; Red DeJong in New Jersey.

Anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bedard, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Valk and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Sohigian.

GEAR JOB

by Irene Kalvinek

During July birthdays were celebrated by Stanton Putnam, William Densmore, Lyman Thomas and Emile Holt. . . . We take this opportunity to wish Robert Allen luck and enjoyment in his retirement. We will all miss Bob and we hope he will come in to visit us occasionally. . . . We wish Bob Ebbeling, who has undergone an appendectomy, a speedy recovery. . . . I have had an opportunity to talk to a few of the Gear Job personnel who have returned from their vacations. Ray Wood spent a few days at Jamestown and during the rest of his vacation worked on his newly built home. Mabel Ringholm, our inspector, had a wonderful time in Canada. Beatrice Gervais and husband motored to New York. Donat Brochu vacationed at Hampton Beach. William Densmore and family spent a week in Annapolis, Maryland. Fred Erickson motored to Vermont and West Point. Mr. Erickson was very impressed by West Point. Stanton Putnam and Louis Paul vacationed at the Cape. James Menard and family motored to Goddar Park near Narragansett. Alfred Matte gave his house a new look by repainting it. Mr. Champagne visited Quebec. Judging by his enthusiasm, Canada is a wonderful place to spend a vacation. All enjoyed their vacations.

Cub Scout Pock No. 150 of St. Patrick's Church, Whitinsville. Front row, from the left: William Hogan, Edword Rosol, Peter West, Allan Haward, John Greenwood, Joseph Jackman, Borry Smith, Jomes Comeau, Edward Driscoll, Horvey Deslauriers, ond Francis O'Brien. Second row: James Couillard, Ernest Lariviere, Harold Boszner, Leon Bien, Edward Lombert, Francis Chaffee, Robert Chiras, Brian Blizord, and Austin Lynch. Third row: William Gilroy, Robert Niejadlik, Kenneth Bogie, Norman Truscott, Robert Brown, William Mohoney, Francis Sprott, Byron Deane, and William McNeil

When Howard G. Wilbur left on July 3 to become the superintendent of the Cosco Manufacturing Company of Bridgeport, Connecticut, he received a gift from the Winder Job. Duty Caswell made the presentation

STEEL FABRICATION AND CUTTING-OFF JOBS

by Maurice P. Valois

At the invitation of Assistant Editor Albert Sharps, I am accepting the responsibility of bringing this column to you. I am replacing our good friend Marion Metcalf who was transferred to another department. . . . Due to the fact this is my first column, I am afraid it might be a bit short, as the deadline for our news column was almost upon us when we returned from our vacation, but I did get some news about vacations. Kilda "Pop" Monast tells us of roughing it, mess kit and tent, in the deep woods of Maine. The Canadian customs inspectors greeted Rene Rock, Gaston Menard, Bill Brown, Arthur J. Mercier, all of Department 432 and Frank J. Rousseau and Lorenzo Boulanger of Department 410. Emilio Taddie, of Department 410, visited his folks at Columbia Falls, Montana, and that makes Emilio our No. 1 traveler, for he covered the most mileage. Pat DeBellis enjoyed the air-conditioned TV studios in New York. George Vacher, sporting a new shade of tan, enjoyed swimming at Lake Champlain. Robert Moorey camped at Dorrity Pond, Millbury, and went deep-sea fishing off Cape Cod. James Fitzgerald and Herman Hathaway were guests in the state of Vermont. James H. Colton, lieutenant commander USNR, spent two weeks at the shipyards in Boston. What a vacation! Steve Bezik and his Packard journeyed to Nova Scotia. George Castelli and '53 Chevvy toured the six New England states. The Rhode Island beaches had Mike Bodnar at East Matunuck, Allan McCrea at Narragansett Pier and Ernest Lange at Point Judith. Harvey Croteau visited friends at Forest Lake, Maine, while Harry Cowburn forgot the world at the Mayfair Lodge in Bristol, New Hampshire. Gene Closson visited all his police friends in the state of Maine. Richard Flinton stayed at home and fixed his house for his bride-to-be. Herb Woeller just moved into a new apartment and stayed home. Alfred Sheriff Nichols attended the State American Legion Convention in Lowell. Bernard Gervais looks like he spent the entire vacation on a beach but he stayed home building his new house. Joseph Hvydash wanted to go to Ohio, but the Mrs. had to stay on the job at the woolen mill, so they stayed home. Mike Yozura kept busy traveling here and there and I stayed home.

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

Vacation is over, although most of us appear to need another week to "rest," unless we spent our vacation resting. An inventory of the department shows that while most of us stayed home and took side trips for a day or so, a few took longer ones.

When Mrs. Ada Gough, office janitress, retired on July 3 her fellow workers gove her a lamp, a bouquet of cornotions, and a corsage. Mrs. Gough lives ot 152 Douglas Street, Uxbridge, Mass.

RIGHT PREPARATION AIDS FOR SLEEPING ON HOT, STICKY NIGHTS

Warm weather is here to stay—for a while, at least. With it comes the age-old problem of sleeping on hot sticky nights. To avoid restless tossing and turning, here are a few suggestions:

Bedding Important

1. Check your bedding. Of course, a comfortable bed is important the year round. However, it is doubly important when outside factors, such as excessive heat, discourage slumber. A comfortable bed not only helps you to relax so that sleep can take over, but also makes you sleep more restfully so that you do not wake up feeling like a limp puppet whose strings have been dropped.

2. Use a fluffy, buoyant pillow that allows circulation of air around your head.

3. Use lightweight summer blankets and sheer percale sheets. Let the top sheet hang loosely at the sides of the bed for better ventilation.

4. Change bedroom rugs from dark wool to light cotton scatter rugs which do not absorb heat so readily.

Avoid Drafts

5. Make certain that your bed gets the benefit of every little breeze. An electric fan on the floor is a good way to keep the air circulating, providing it isn't blowing directly on you. Sheer curtains over venetian blinds also help keep the room cool.

6. If your bed is ready, take a refreshing bath (not an icy shower that makes your blood tingle but a tepid bath that makes you feel cool and sleepy), then put on the coolest nightwear that you own.

Having prepared to "Beat the heat," climb into bed and don't worry about not getting to sleep and chances are you will be fast asleep before you've even had a chance to think about how warm it is.

Among these were Gertrude Ebbeling, who went to Michigan and Ken McCullouch, who went to Nova Scotia. Jackie Sullivan divided his time between Lake Winnepesaukee and Stowe, Vermont. Joe Hetherington went to Jaffrey, New Hampshire; Peter Kooistra to West Sayville, Long Island, N. Y.; Kay Ebbeling, New Jersey and Vermont; Ed Morel and Carl Johnson to Montreal; Albert Roy and Gerard Larochelle to Quebec; Beryle Doble to Maine; Margaret Marshall to West Harwich, Cape Cod; your reporter to the Adirondacks for two days and five days in his old haunts in New Jersey. Everett Gasper won the department's long-distance championship by traveling to Minnesota. I presume there were others who made long side trips but at this writing I have not been able to get them. They will appear in the next issue.

I can add that Theresa Creasia and family spent their vacation partly at Old Orchard Beach and down on the Cape. And I would like to provide the solution to the large family problem on vacation which I learned from her. If you have a relative with a car, have him take half the family, while you take the other half and in so doing, do not put the owners of the cottages in a panic by arriving with 10 or 12 children. . . . Harry Bailey spent the first week at Point Judith and the second week at home.

We are glad to welcome back to work Joe Morin, who has had quite an extended vacation, and Jim Gusney who also was ill a long time. The best of health to you both and may you be with us for many years to come.

We wish the best of luck to Ray Pickett who left us to work at Pratt and Whitney in Hartford. . . . Robert E. Balcome, reporter for the Ring Job is a grandfather again, the latest grandson arrived in Honolulu on June 30.

CHUCK JOB AND AUTOMATICS

by Dot Antoian

Bill Donohue, Mike Germajian, Mike Courtemanche, Al Brodeur and Arthur Handfield were recently presented their 10-year service pins by Jake DeJong and Arthur Litke. Merwin Brown presented Hanna Sheehan with her 10-year pin. Congratulations to all of you. . . . Get-well wishes are extended to Len Hinchcliffe who has been confined to the Whitinsville Hospital for several weeks and to Arthur Handfield at St. Vincent's Hospital. Get-well wishes also to Joe Chabot who injured his back. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Oppewall on the observance of their 45th wedding anniversary on June 19.

Vacation Notes: The state of Maine seemed to attract the largest number of vacationers this season. The group included Peggy Mills, Mike Courtemanche, Gerard Peloquin, Walter Howard, Marion Larsen, Doug Farley, Cecil Small, Willis Winchenbach, Red Harpin and Charlie Malkasian. . . . New Hampshire: Al Brodeur, Donald Crosby, Norman Spratt, and Tony Peroni. . . . Martha's Vineyard: Byron Heywood, Joseph Irza and Cyril Norton, who will spend the entire summer there. . . . New York: Henrietta Hoogendyk, Mabel Baker, Andrew Vierstra and John Mullen. . . . The Cape: Rose Onanian, Joseph Gribnon, Andrew Fitzgerald and Albert Raiche. . . . Vermont: Bill Donohue. . . . Washington, D. C.: Gerrit Oppewall. . . . Narragansett Pier: Walter Ballou. . . . Canada: Jake Burghgraif, Arthur Roberts and Hanna Sheehan. . . . Harvey Deslauriers didn't show any favoritism as he visited Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. . . . Ray Barlow, George Hoekstra, Peaches Delmonte, Seis Schat, Jake Dejong and Arthur Litke, took occasional auto trips. . . . Mike Germajian visited Asbury Park; Henry Giguere, Ocean Grove; and Eugene Boisvert, Westerly, Rhode Island. . . . Valdor Allard stayed home and built a porch for his wife. . . . John Lodder, whose wife is in Holland, stayed home with his son.

MYSTERY PHOTO—the man on the left is Louis Chabot, Sr., of the Milling Job. Look for the fellow on the right, shawn at the age of 11 years, among aur faremen

In the bygone days of yore—1913 ta be exact—these young men abaut tawn met an Sunday afternaans for lang hikes about the countryside. The faces should be familiar ta Bob Walsh, Picker Job. Phota by caurtesy of Bill Gregaire

Lucky George Burgess caught the largest fish and also collected the pool on his first fishing trip—easy expenses.

This photograph taken by Dac Pellerin, of the Warehouse, shows James Fallon, engineer, and Henry Walmsley, brakeman, with their Diesel locamotive in the upper yard. Standing at the left of the picture is Alex Gray, shop guard

Earl King, Tool Job, is now in Korea. His father, Norman, is employed on the Ring Job. Russell King, another son, is also stationed in Korea. As far as we know they have not met overseas

Posed against a background of palm trees, Cpl. Kenneth Rae of the Air Force demonstrates that the Marines are not the only troops to serve in Tripoli. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Rae

This is the family of "Harry" Baghdasarian, Roll Job, and Mrs. Baghdasarian. Among those present when the picture was taken were their ten children, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, five grandchildren, and his dog

ROLL JOB

by John C. Onanian

Here's hoping everyone had a very enjoyable vacation and are "raring to go" for another year. After talking with all on the Job I was able to gather the following: Chet Flinton and his wife didn't have very good luck fishing down the Cape last year, so this year they tried fresh-water fishing at his brother-in-law's camp in Paxton. Jimmy Devaneys visited their son in Wilmington, Delaware, and toured Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D. C. Vic Courteau and family went to Old Orchard Beach, Maine. Harold Kanes saw Washington, D. C., and Watch Hill, Rhode Island. Al Guertin camped in Maine. Joe Courteau gave his house a spray job with a vacuum cleaner and also visited the local beaches.

Ed Kmiotek moved his former house and began work on the ranch house he is building. The Ed Thomases visited their old home in Vermont. George Baker went to the Cape fishing. The Taeke Bakers visited their son and his brother-in-law in New Jersey. The Joe Dumaises took a trip to Nova Scotia and to the state of Maine. The Nuno Gomeses enjoyed a trip to Washington, D. C. Wilfred Biron tried some of the Canadian air. Normand Lamarre went fishing. Ed Trasavage and family went to the Cape. Ed Dawicki did some cleaning up following the recent tornado and fished at the local ponds. The Keith Wilcoxes went to Lake Sunapee, New Hampshire. Pop Kasparian visited in New Hampshire and Vermont. John Stavinski went to Atlantic City and Long Island. The John Bednarzes visited the local beaches. Bazil Konvent worked in his garden. Kapriel Baghdasarian painted his house. Joe Reneaus went to Craigville on the Cape. Stan Konvent visited the Cape and the Glass Factory in Connecticut. The Bob Dippolds enjoyed Martha's Vineyard. Leonard Gosselin worked around his house. Joe and Pauline Machota traveled to Philadelphia, Hartford and Narragansett. Harold O'Connell spent his time at Webster Lake. Wilfred Reneau worked around the house as did Wilfred Rivard, Ed Beaudoin, Sam Opperwall, Forrest Peck and Marie Montgomery. The Lew Lymans visited in Maine. Herbert Draudins went to New York City. A. Meuniers journeyed to the Cape. Jena Malc went to Rockland, Maine. The Victor Picottes were at their camp at Manchaug Pond. Wilfred Henault went fishing at the local ponds. Ed Driscoll visited Vermont. Blanche Houghton vacationed in New Hampshire. The Carl Carlsons were at their cottage at Webster Lake. Cecil Baker and son Kenny visited their son and brother Harold in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Arthur Baillargeon worked on his porch and your reporter painted part of his house.

We wish to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. William Henderson who recently celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary. Bill, 78 years old, worked on the Roll Job until his retirement about 10 years ago. We wish to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Peck who celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary on July 4 and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dippold who celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversary on June 28.

Birthday greetings for Ed Driscoll, Pop Kasparian, Stan Konvent, Joe Machota, Harold Tatro, Ed Thomas, Herbert Draudins, Emile Deschamps, Al Meunier and Marie Montgomery. Your reporter is also a year older.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

We are glad to report that Fred Demers is home from the hospital and expects to be back in to work. . . . A farewell party honoring Louise Zywien and Janet McCabe was held at the Repair Shipping Office on June 30. The girls were presented yellow sweater sets and white baby blankets.

Vacation Notes: Everett Forsythe took a trip to Florida and Chicago; Ed Gorman to North Carolina and Provincetown; Chet Farrar to Vermont and New Hampshire; Ed Sheehan to Maine and Cape Cod. Henry Henault spent his vacation working on his new home. Stanley Krula went to New Jersey; Mildred Cook to Nova Scotia; Mary Hayward and Lorraine Dufault to Wolfeboro, New Hampshire. Harold Libby took day trips to Maine, Vermont and New Hampshire. Charlotte Ingham and Nancy Britten motored to Florida and stopped at Pocono Mountains. Sari Devlin went to Dennisport; Helen Conway to Lake George and the Thousand Islands; Norman Flammand to Wildwood, New Jersey. Howard Hawkins took day trips. Del Duhamel spent his time gardening in South Sutton. Harold Baszner went to Harwichport; Bill VanNess to Harrison, New Jersey; Rene Picard to The Weirs, New Hampshire; Dick Benner to Barnstable; Marcel Turgeon to Howes Caverns and Niagara Falls. Emile Merchant motored through the White Mountains.

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'LANT GUARDS

y Ralph M. Anderson

Frank DiLibero who was a patient at t. Vincent Hospital for a week, is now ılly recovered. . . . Sam Magowan, David emaris, and Bill Leaver spent their vacaons at Cape Cod. . . . Mr. and Mrs. alph George are moving from Medfield South Uxbridge. Ralph is presently enıged in drilling an artesian well. . . . Ir. and Mrs. Frank Libbey of Upton will ıke up residence in Phoenix, Arizona. Frank, ith 11 years' service, will be missed by his ıany friends. The Libbeys will travel by ailer, leaving the latter part of July.

Mr. and Mrs. Phileas Fregeu spent their ıcation at their summer home at Lake Vhalom. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lauınce enjoyed a two weeks' motor trip along ıe Maine and New Hampshire coast. . . . Ir. and Mrs. Joseph Boulanger (Research) otored to Three Rivers, Canada, and on ıe return trip a stop was made at Manıester, New Hampshire, where Mr. Bouınger made a visitation to the "Habitant" a soup factory.

rold Dowson, an engineer at the Linwood Mill, shown with Mrs. Dawson and their sons, 16-year-ıd Horold Scott ond 10-yeor-old Bruce

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

Albert Guillaume is the Foundry Personality for this month. Al was born September 12, 1899, in Allenburg, New York, and he received his education at the Allenburg schools. On December 13, 1923, he was married and he has two sons. He has worked in the Foundry 27 years, lives in Linwood, and his hobby is baseball.

This month we want to salute the son of Moses Marsoopian, side floor molder. Verj Marsoopian, son of Moses, was born December 20, 1923, in Whitinsville. He attended the Northbridge schools and is a graduate of Brown University. He is married and has one son, Verj, Jr. At the present time Verj, Sr., is in the U. S. Air Force.

We want to wish Philip E. Carlos all the luck in the world in his new job. He is now with the U. S. Army. . . . It is reported that the recent fishing trip organized by George Morande was a great success. Joe Truesdell caught the most; James Walker the smallest; and Philip Carlos got the big one. . . . The Retirement Fund Committee wants to take this opportunity to list the $63.45 collected in the monthly collection for July. The previous collection was $74.10. We now have a net total of $137.30. The committee wishes to thank everyone who is supporting this fund.

If you cannot find any vacation news in this issue, please do not be disappointed. I haven't forgotten. Many pictures were promised me, many of which at the time of this writing are not yet developed. Expect news and pictures of the vacation in the next issue.

GRINDER JOB

by Virginia Burke

Here we are back again after two weeks' vacation, everyone looking fine. Some enjoyed day trips, fixing around their homes or just relaxing. Others took longer trips—deep-sea fishing seemed to be a favorite sport. Vacations: George Moran at Point Judith for two weeks, also Ray Fitton; Frank Mancini, William English and George LaRose spent part of their time at Camp Drum, New York, doing their bit with the National Guard; Clinton Tracy at Brewster; Charles Barney visited his family in Washington; William Gubber at Elizabeth, New Jersey; Alfred Bouffard explored the Cape and certainly enjoyed it; Arthur Berube and Joseph Waterman took a trip to Niagara Falls in Joe's new Chevrolet, then around Lake Michigan and saw some beautiful spots; Jeanette Sisoian went to Patterson, New Jersey, for a visit, then to Revere Beach; Stanley Rodomonick spent a week at the beach and then entertained friends; Beatrice Winchell spent part of her vacation in New Hampshire; Walter Solina took a trip to Vermont and Maine; Joseph Brunneau went to Canada.

William Todd is sporting about in his new '53 blue Plymouth. . . . Herman Picard is beaming as he goes about his work. He became a proud grandfather of a little girl last month. . . . Birthday greetings to Albert Buma.

Fram top to bottom: James King, Philip Carlos and Charles Randall prepare to set out on the Foundry fishing trip. Gerard Brouillette and George Morande take it easy on the bench as the boot puts to sea. Philip Carlos is abaut to do some serious fishing. John Shamshoian smiles for the camera while in the backgraund Charles Randall and Fred Merchond swop fish stories

The Production Department Picnic was held at Wallum Lake on June 25. Above: Patricia Duggan, Della Jones, Elsie Gellately, Harry Newton, Donald Gauthier, Billy Walsh and Ernie Roberti. Below: Frances Gonsorcik, Peggy Sprott, Patricio Duggan, Shirley Benjomin, Margaret Newton, Mory Limonek ond Borbara Spratt

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Tad Wallace and Dorsey Devlin

With the 1953 vacation over, and everyone back with outstanding tans and well-rested looks (?), we settle down once again to the daily routine.

Dick Walker, who vacationed in Canada, provides the story of the month. Dick had all his children's shoes packed in one suitcase for the trip, and as they left early in the morning, the youngsters departed with their bed slippers on, and not until Dick had to shell out some of his good American dollars for the not too reasonable Canadian footwear, did he awaken to the fact that the bag of shoes were reposing by their lonesome back in his home in the States.

Vacation Time 1953: And here are some of our people and where they spent their vacations: Claire Legassey and her husband at Lake George and Canada; Pat Vipraio and family and Roland Riendeau also went to Canada; Irene Woleck to Long Island; Bill Lavallee at his nearly completed summer cottage at the Whitin Reservoir, gained two pounds to boot; Vic Romasco worked around home and lost seven pounds but found time to take the family to the beach a few times; the Jack Ratcliffes and Kevin were at Plymouth while Hampton Beach was chosen by Don Gauthier, Patty Duggan, Hilda Murray, Peg Spratt and Bill Kearnan and family; in fact Bill is still peeling after coming out second best in his bout with the sun; Stan Pietrewicz departed for Texas and at this writing has not returned—maybe he lost his passport and is having a rough time trying to re-enter the United States.

Betty Benjamin, Dot Nolet and Julie McMullin were at Point Judith. Betty really absorbed the sunshine. It is hard to tell the exact shade, but you can take it from us it's real dark; Frances Gonsorcik and Diane Gautreau were at Lake George; Sal Tumolo and family were at York Harbor, Maine; Brenda Cook was up in Nova Scotia; F. O. Rizer was at the Whitinsville Golf Club; Chet Pieleski was at Hampton Beach and then to Cape Cod; Gordon Anderson and family were in Albany, New York; Harry Segal and family were at West Yarmouth; Marge and Harry Newton motored through Maine and Canada; Gummy says he took a trip to East Douglas; Jack and Simone Gilchrist spent two weeks at Turkey Hill Lake in Rutland—says Jack you can catch kivers six to seven feet long up there, and plentiful; Louie Duggan was up in New Hampshire; Champ Champagne and family were at Silver Lake; Hank Manigan to the windy city of Chicago; Dorsey Devlin and family to Marblehead while Tad Wallace and family took a trip to Mt. Cadillac in Maine.

While Dick Walker's predicament w amusing (to everyone but Dick that is) P and Jim Remillard had quite an experien while vacationing in Maine. One afterno Jim decided to take Pat boating. It w nice out there in the boat but when th decided to come in, Jim found out that couldn't make it (strong offshore breeze w to blame I guess). Well after several futi attempts, it was found necessary to summ assistance—now your reporters would li to know just who it was that "rescued" Ji and Pat—our informant (and we ain't a-sa ing who) says the Coast Guard went aft them while Pat insists that a friend in motor boat helped them.

Crib No. 5 Notes: Welcome back to P Rivet our No. 5 newshawk who has be on a leave of absence. . . . On June the girls took Eva Dumais out to dinner an presented her with a gift. Eva has left to work in the drafting room. We all wis her luck in her new job. Those attendin the dinner were: Sis Kozak, Helen Mille Pat Rivet, Cecelia Normandin, Corice Wi liams, Rena Lisak and Ann Cupka. . . We want to welcome Harriett LaFleur bac after being laid off. Harriett worked a Crib No. 12 before coming back to No. . . . Cecelia Normandin spent her vaca tion at Dennisport; Corice Williams wen to Maine; Frank Hogan was at Misquamicu for two weeks; Sis Kozak also was at Mis quamicut for a few days; Margaret Houriha went to New Bedford, where she attende her brother's wedding; Gene Pierce shoul be in good condition. He was at camp wit his Reserve unit.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

by Peggy Beaudreau

We welcome Mary Cooper of the Inspection Office to our Blueprint Department. Mary is a resident of Whitinsville, a graduate of Northbridge High School, and has worked in the Whitin Machine Works for several years. We say good-by to Ray Burke who has left us to take up his residence in California. He was feted a party at the Upton Country Club where he was presented a purse of money. Stella Boudreau and Sophie Steele were also given a party at the Abner Wheeler House in Framingham. Stella, who left to take up her domestic duties, was presented with a lovely baby outfit. Sophie has left us to resume her nursing career. . . . As of this writing the Engineering Department softball team is anchored in fourth place, with 7 wins and 4 losses. We have three more games to play and should be able to make the playoffs. With the addition of slugger Lou Lucier and hustling Leo Roy the team has been strengthened.

There were loads of vacations this year: First of all, our own Massachusetts—Wally Meigs at Wood's Hole, Cape Cod; Charlie Drummond, Whitehorse Beach; John Nydam, Martha's Vineyard, fishing; Joe Branigan, the Cape, fishing the first week and a cruise up the Saguenay River in Canada and back to Montreal the second week; Alice Naroian, the Cape and New York City; Betty Bianchi, Brewster, Cape Cod; Art Wilson, Horseneck Beach, Westport, where his children visited Lincoln Park on several days; Francis Newton, Fall River, Ports-

anley Baldwin, S.A., hos finished his boot training d is now attending the Novy rodio school at inbridge, Md. He is the son of Leonard Baldwin, epartment 416

outh, Rhode Island (where he saw movie tress Penny Singleton—movie's Blondie— person); Hollis Sargent, Podunk Lake, ookfield, Mass.; Stella and Ray Boudreau ok a trip over Cape Cod. . . . Richard msbotham and George Remillard went to ew York City; Richard also spent a week his summer cottage on Lake Manchaug. rl Wood took a delightful trip to Detroit, ichigan. Stanley Witek spent his vacation Hartford, Connecticut. Jim Arsenault ok a trip to the Cape the first week and ent to Connecticut the second week.

Rhode Island was the ideal vacation spot several: Mike Sollecito at Jerusalem, hode Island; Ruth Briggs and Thelma aker at Point Judith; Eva Dumas at Wor- n's Pond, West Kingston; Jim Roddy at rusalem and Sam Piper, Jr., at Nantasket each. . . . Zel Benner and daughter trav- ed all the way to New Jersey for their cation. . . . New Hampshire was the cation spot of Connie Maynard at Hamp- n Beach; John Thompson at Lake Winne- esaukee; Peggy Beaudreau at Somersworth nd Old Orchard Beach, Maine. Mary ooper, a newcomer to our department, aveled to her usual hideout in Pittsburgh, ennsylvania. Maine: Jim Orrell and Stuart isser went to Bar Harbor; Penny Havener nd Joan Parker at Waldoboro; Robert rottier and Ernest Plante at York Beach nd Boothbay Harbor. Those who just ayed around home and either relaxed or orked hard are Bert and Flora McGaw, arold Miller, Ed Desjourdy who went lfing, Nellie White who says she spent her acation spoiling her nephew, Fred Lowe, awrence Landry, Roland Lejeune, Bill Ho- art and Bob Courtemanche who also spent few days at Hampton Beach, Al Jaskulka, teve Lyshak, Janet Noble and Harry Roy. ebouh Kalousdian went each day to differ- nt beaches. Bob Crossland went to differ- nt beaches. Connie Visbeck, Henry Rivet nd Lloyd Rose took day trips. Celia Beau- reau took week-end trips as her husband did ot have his vacation at the same time. d Haggerty took day trips with his family.

METHODS

by Jean Cunningham

Of course by this time everyone has returned from vacation. Maine, Hampton Beach, Old Orchard, the Cape, near-by lakes, and just plain back door steps were some of the places enjoyed by some of our people. . . . When the Whitin Park Playgrounds held their beachday, Albert Brouwer's daughter Marilyn did it again when she won the one-half mile swimming event in 11 minutes and 20 seconds at Kiwanis Beach. . . . We hope at this reading Shirley Noble and Lydia Hickey are back with us again. We miss them around the office and wish them both many good wishes for a quick comeback. . . . Betty Kollet has left us to work elsewhere. We hope Betty will be very happy in her new work. Good luck to you in this undertaking. . . . Many happy birthday wishes go to Arthur Armstrong, Johnny Walsh, Emil Zywien, Rose Fregeau, Isabelle Hagopian, Shirley Noble, Helen Altoonian and little old me, Jean Cunningham. . . . Helen Altoonian has gone in for harness racing. She seems to know the ropes, too, she didn't mind telling me that she did all right with everything considered.

We want to extend our happiest wishes to Rose Fregeau and her husband on their 26th wedding anniversary this month. May you both live to enjoy many, many more. . . . Carol McCrea has made the statement that she took the first week to get a tan and was really so brown that she took a week to bleach out, but she is still very brown. . . . Sam Mateer and family enjoyed a vacation through Pennsylvania, Michigan and Canada. He even brought back a five-dollar Canadian bill to prove it. Sam was amazed at the destruction that the tornado did in Erie, Pennsylvania, and Temperance, Michigan. In some places a detour of 20 miles was necessary to get around the stricken area.

Edward John Garabedian, former Boston and Whitin boseball star, has been commissioned an ensign in the Navy Supply Corps. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Garabedion, 20 Spring Street, Whitinsville

Homeward bound with a day's catch. Charles Pendleton, stationed at Dhahran in Saudi Arobia, caught these fish in the Persian Gulf. Charles is formerly of the Spindle Job and is the son af Lendall Pendleton of this department

ROVING SMALL PARTS AND ROVING ERECTING

by Mary Hugley

Members of the departments enjoyed vacations at the following places: Mr. and Mrs. William Lyman and family, Reading, Pennsylvania; Mr. and Mrs. William Longton, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smith, Rome, New York; Rene Truscott, Joseph Jacques and Armand Bolduc, Canada; Pete Gauvin, Milford, New Hampshire; Albert Hookstra, Vinalhaven, Maine; Mr. and Mrs. George Armston, York Beach, Maine; Herbert Ashworth, Maine; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark, Washburn, Maine; Joseph Lariviere, Maine; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Frappier, Detroit, Michigan; James Connors, Champaign, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Romeo Gauthier, Nantasket Beach; Wilfred Dupont, Cape Cod; Joan Lincoln and husband, Narragansett Pier; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Champany, Caspian Lake, Vermont; Edmund Radzik, Vermont; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Muse, Gloucester; and your reporter went to Alabama to visit relatives.

MASTER LIST DEPARTMENT

by Rensforth Yeo

Birthday greetings to Doc Couillard, Roy Burroughs, Felix Yongsma and Elsie Davidson. . . . Anniversary wishes to Edward and Beatrice Fior and to Adam and Elsie Davidson.

Geroldine Koliss, daughter of Henry Koliss, Department 418, is an X-ray technicion in the Armed Forces. She is stationed with the W.A.C. ot Fort Benning, Georgia

Arokel Almasian, who joined the U. S. Novy in 1951, recently visited France, Turkey, ond Italy. He is the son of George Almasian of Department 405

Joseph Dovien, Jr., formerly of Deportment 405, is now in the Navy. His fother works on the grinding wheels in the Cost Iron Room

Vacations: Several people enjoyed vacations in and around Canada—Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Brown, Quebec; Eleanor Baker, Canada and also the Adirondack Mountains; Ray Tebeau, Saguenay River; Warren Greene, Quebec. Cape Cod, another favorite vacation spot, was visited by Anne Briand, Harwichport; Yvonne Gainer, who also went to New Hampshire; Angela Zanchetti, Craigville; and Mary Naroian, who also went to New York City. The Les Bentons were at Lake Winnepesaukee; Bill Skillen at Sebago Lake; Joe Roche, Mt. Cadillac in Maine; Ed Morse, South Bridgeton, Maine; the Felix Youngsmas took a long trip to Holland, Michigan; the Jim Ferrys went to Maryland; Ann Buma and husband visited their son in Danville, Virginia; Elsie and Adam Davidson were at Old Orchard Beach, Maine; Octave and Mrs. LeBlanc spent a full two weeks in Clearwater, Florida; Gordon Boutilier spent a busy two weeks in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Philadelphia; Evans Bedigian and family went to the Rhode Island beaches; Jane Longmuir took an extensive trip through Georgia and Tennessee, visiting the "Little White House" in Warm Springs and Mt. Lookout, where you can see seven states; your reporter and family went to Lake Wicabog in the Brookfields for a week after our fifth ehild, a girl, was born on July 4.

Day trips were made by Doc Couillard, Point Judith; Lou Lucier, Cape Cod; Jim Davidson, Scarborough; Jim Ashworth, Newport; Phyllis Haringa, Misquamicut Beach; Claire Baillargeon, Narragansett Pier; and Edith Goodwin, Hampton Beach.

REPAIR SALES DEPARTMENT

by Joyce Rondeau

The following places were visited by our office force during the two-week vacation period: visiting Cape Cod were Charles Pearson, Charles Anderson, Chet Walker, Ann Wiersma, Ann Gleason and Jim Marshall. York Beach was the scene of vacation for Rose Kalonas and Orrin Austin. John Alden drove to Maryland, Betty Valk spent her vacation in Detroit, Joyce Rondeau visited in Milwaukee. Adam Davidson spent his two weeks at Old Orchard Beach in Maine. Dick Rawlinson vacationed at East Lake in New Hampshire. Also in New Hampshire were Betty Mombourquette at Hampton Beach and Joyce Brown at the White Mountains. Joy Varteresian had a pleasant trip to Miami Beach. Lucille Buma and Norma Baker were in New York during their vacation. Lillian Mathurin made a trip to Sherbrooke, Canada. Jo Lewcon and Ann Carter spent their vacation at Misquamicut, Rhode Island. Fred Hanny vacationed at Watch Hill. Ocean Beach was the vacation spot for Ruth Crothers and Sylvia Simonian. . . . This past month has seen three new Fords being driven around town. The proud owners are Ann Gleason, Orrin Austin and Elmer Benton. . . . Birthday greetings for the past two months go to R. G. McKaig, Grace Heath, Charles Anderson, Ann Carter and Jim Marshall. . . . A happy wedding anniversary to Charles Noble, and also Theresa Caswell, who is celebrating her first anniversary.

Pfc. Cosmo Volente, formerly employed at th Linwood Division, is an honor groduote of on Arm bond troining course. His fother, Raymond Valente works in Department 421

Rolph Houghton, Jr., whose father is employed on the Wood Pattern Job, enjoys the sun by a Korean river bank

Verj Marsoopian, son of Moses Morsoopian of the Foundry, is now serving in the Air Force

IAIN OFFICE

y Gloria Marshall

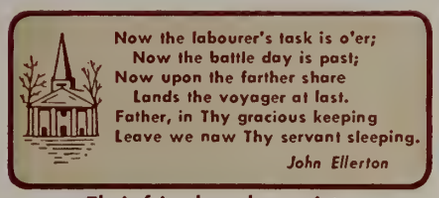
Vacations are over and everyone has come ack full of vim, vigor and vitality ready to ickle another year. . . . Gwen Searles ook a week off in June to visit with her ster who came out here from Illinois. . . . leanor Spratt went to Hampton Beach, ew Hampshire; Wayne Stinson to Scituate arbor; Everett Johnston cruised the Sague-ay River; Albert Callens to Maryland; gnes Kalousdian and Sally Mantashigian Asbury Park, New Jersey; Esther Ander-on to Swifts Beach, Cape Cod; Mary Galle-aw to St. Louis, Missouri; Ginny Burke, ay Bishop, May Hutcheson and Gloria rabotta to Dennisport; and Thelma Meader Brewster, Cape Cod. . . . Many others ok their vacations in the form of day trips historic points of interest and to the sunny aches. Some stayed home and did work ound their yards and gardens. Whatever e vacationers did they had perfect weather. he home gardeners were glad to see what tle rain we did have.

The month of July started off with the aditional bang when a group of the girls ld a weinie roast up at Wallum Lake. The ater was wonderful and the food was deli-ous! Everyone had a swell time. We hope at next year there will be an even bigger owd. . . . Viola Willard left on July 10 devote her full time to being a housewife. e all enjoyed working with Vi and hope at she will drop in and see us once in a hile. . . . Christine Bosma recently re-ived her 10-year service pin and Sally antashigian was given a five-year pin. ongratulations to both. . . . It was a easure to see two of our former workers in wn during the vacation period. Alice Fer-son dropped in to say hello while on a visit om New York. Alice enjoys life in the "big ty" very much. Wilma Brouwer was me from Washington for a few days and ld us of her work and her home down there. ilma and her sister, Anne, live in Maryland d commute to the Pentagon each day. . . We have only one wedding anniver-ry for the month of August. We hope that r. Gordon G. Spence will have many more. . . Happy birthdays to Betty Graham, artha Marshall, Ginny Burke and Arlene uker.

OST DEPARTMENT

y Dick Hanny and leve Reynolds

Vacations are over and everybody is back d "raring to go." Helen Cotter holds the stinction of taking the longest vacation ip of any in the office, for she and Mrs. Jane liss of the main office flew to the Northwest oast to Lake Louise in Alberta, Canada. . . Everett Grant holds the distinction of ing to the spot with the most unusual name -Memphremagog Lake, which is partly in ermont and partly in Canada. This name hen translated means beautiful water. . . . he Leo Imondis spent their leisure hours a cottage at Spring Lake, Rhode Island. . . Herb Barnes and family spent one eek at Washington, D. C., and one week t Enosburg, Vermont. . . . Our roving reporter, Cleve Reynolds, and Pauline Reynolds spent two weeks on the sunny sands of good old Cape Cod. . . . Birthday congratulations go to Felix Richards, Charles Garabedian, John Chatty, Raymond Colby, Howard Anderson, Val Allega and Dick Hanny. . . . Wedding anniversary congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Platukis and to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Johnson.



Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Department 416 extends its sympathy to the Ernest Buker family.

Survivors of Albert Grocki, who passed away at the Whitinsville Hospital, June 14.

Mrs. Jean Allen on the death of her brother, Daniel.

Survivors of Robert K. Marshall, 70, who died at his home at 320 Church Street on June 25. An ardent sportsman active in the civic and religious life of the community, he had been employed at the Whitin Machine Works for 55 years.

Family and friends of John W. Jordan.

James and Robert Colthart on the deaths of their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Colthart.

Survivors of William J. Walker, 76, who died July 21. He retired seven years ago after completing 52 years' employment at the Whitin Machine Works.

Chester S. Bonczek, foreman of Department 432, upon the death of his father in Worcester.

John F. Sloan, welding engineer in Department 432, upon the death of his father in Providence, Rhode Island.

Edward Ryan, Department 426, on the recent death of his brother.

Margaret Ryan became the bride of Theodore Farrand, assistant foreman of the Garage, at St. James' Church, Farnumsville, on June 20. They will reside at 82 Upper High Street, Whitinsville, Mass.

Simone Gagne, Department 462, and Bruno Czesnuik were married at St. Patrick's Church, Whitinsville, on June 27.

Raymond Stanovich, Department 401, and Bertille Warner of Pittsburgh are engaged.

The engagement of Sebouh Kalousian, Engineering Department, and Margaret Samarjian of Hopkinton was announced on June 28. The wedding is planned for October 18, 1953.

Joan Parker, Engineering Department, became engaged to George Bouley, Department 417, on July 15.

Constance Beleveau and Rudolphe Herbert were married on June 26 at St. John's Church, Slatersville Rhode Island

To Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Audet, a son, Gerard, on May 29.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward DeVries, a son, Henry Edward.

To Mr. and Mrs. Barrett Judson, a daughter, Janet Elizabeth, at the Whitinsville Hospital on June 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. Rensforth Yeo, a daughter, Alyce Deborah, at the Whitinsville Hospital on July 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cheney, a daughter, Paula, born in Worcester Memorial Hospital, May 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Dona, a son, 7 pounds 12 ounces, on July 20.

To Mr. and Mrs. Donald Nelson, a son, David, July 12.

To John Baker, apprentice, and Mrs. Baker, a son, David Lee, born July 10.

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Familiar Faces

Around the Plant

Ralph Houghton, Wood Pattern Maker, came to Whitin in 1921. He lives in Whitinsville and has a son in the U. S. Army. He enjoys television

Louis Vincent, Bolster Job, has been with Whitin since 1911. He has two sons, one daughter and one grandchild. Louis enjoys watching movies

Annie Bennett, a graduate of Boston University, is a secretary in Sub-Contracts. She has two sons and two grandchildren. Her hobby is dancing

Louise Bedford, Secretary to Vice-president R. J. McConnell, came to us in 1946. She spends her leisure doing craftwork in her new home

Philip Belanger, Department 411, lives in Linwood and has three children and three grandchildren. His favorite hobbies are fishing and baseball

Arthur Lawrence, Ring Job, lives in Sutton and has two sons and a daughter. He came to Whitin in 1913. His hobbies are baseball and television

Herman Woeller, Department 432, has three children and lives in Linwood. Herman's favorite pastimes include hunting, fishing and fly-tying

Millwrights use both muscle and coordination to lift a ponderous seven-and-a-half ton transformer through a floor. The transformer is on its way to a new location near the Polishing Job. From the left: Joseph Boudreau, Oscar Turgeon, Arthur Bochond, Miloire Theberge, and James MacDougall

A RUGGED JOB

As the transformer rises through the floor it is shored up with timbers to prevent damage in case of a snapped cable. On the left is Foreman William Barber and Robert Brunelle

Story Starts on Page 4

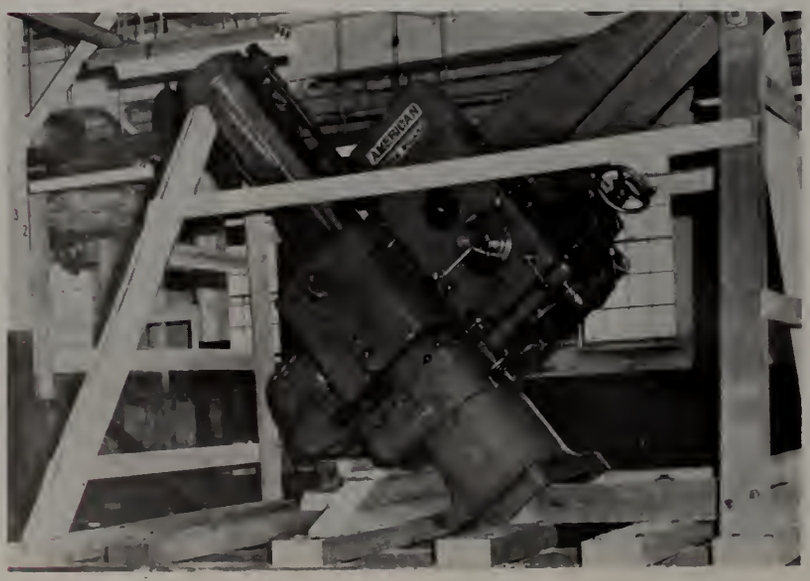
A Rugged Job
(continued)

At times even heavier loads, such as this 28-ton hammer base, have to be moved. Some idea of the size of this base, now located in the Blacksmith Shop, may be gained from the size of the jacks which are identical in size with the jacks shown with the transformer on page 3

The close cooperation of all Whitin workers in the production of our preparatory textile machinery is exemplified by the relationship between the Plant Layout Department and the Millwrights. One plans where the machine tools are to go; the other sees that the machine tools get there.

When the call goes out for the millwrights it may mean either a large or a small job. Perhaps a seven-and-a-half ton transformer, no longer needed at one end of the plant, is urgently required at the other end. It may be

Layout work requires planning. Howard Dunford and James MacLean, plant layout draftsmen, check the layout of the Carpenter Shop



This giant radial drill was shipped from Department 423 on loan to Fayscott in Dexter, Maine. Moving such awkward and bulky packages is all in the day's work to the millwrights

op: The millwrights have other duties. Arthur Tessier, who has been with Whitin since February, 1919, oils the main lines

Middle: All jobs have on attractive side. Helen Modderman and Violet Pichonski work with the list locating all the machines in the plant

Bottom: Here William Charette and Joseph Boudreau oil the main drive on elevator number seven

that an eight-ton radial drill must be packed and shipped or that a thirty-ton hammer base must be set in place. Often a little Delta motor must be moved, in which case a millwright tucks it under his arm and carries it to its new location. The bulkier items are harder to move.

The teamwork is best shown when a new department is set up. As the initial step Howard Dunford, in charge of both Plant Layout and Millwrights, consults with the Method Department and secures from them a list of machines that will be used on the new job. Next Routing, under George Hartley, lists in sequence the operations that must be performed in the machining of the new product. Then, working from a floor plan and a flow chart, the Plant Layout Department plans the exact location of each piece of equipment used in production.

At this point Philip B. Walker is consulted. He not only checks the plans for floor loads but also notes what new air, water and steam connections are needed, what office space, cribs, and fencing is required, and estimates the cost of these alterations. Burton Robie then goes over the plans to see what electrical connections must be installed and estimates the cost of new electrical work.

This information is correlated by Mr. Dunford and presented to management for approval. If approval is given the millwrights—less than a dozen men—swing into action to move and set up all the requisite mechanical equipment. If bulky items are shifted a route is planned, the most suitable moving equipment pressed into service, and crews from the Maintenance Department called on to enlarge and reclose any necessary openings.

In addition to the job of moving and setting up equipment the millwrights are charged with the responsibility for installing and oiling the overhead shafting in the plant and with greasing the elevators.

It takes time to train a good millwright—and our millwrights are essential workers of whom the Whitin Machine Works is proud. If a man has a strong back, a patient disposition, and a willingness to work as a member of a team, he may start as a helper and in a few years progress through the grade of second class millwright to that of first class millwright. The youngest in service of our crew have worked as millwrights for at least seven years.

Moving ponderous machinery requires strength, care, and skill to insure that damage is not done to the men, the machines, or to the plant.

Among the senior employees in this department are: Arthur Tessier, 34 years; Hilaire Theberge, 25 years; Arthur Bachand, 22 years; and Howard Dunford, 22 years.

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LET'S ALL COOPERATE

Once in a while, even in these days of trouble and unrest, we come across a bit of news that gives us an inner glow and a sense of pride in our fellow men. Such an item is the news that a group of retired employees of the Whitin Machine Works are forming a club which will devote its time to the repair and renovation of children's toys. The repaired toys will be given to underprivileged children in hospitals and orphanages.

We're proud of these men. We can think of few things nicer than bringing joy to the heart of a boy or girl who might otherwise be forgotten.

The Whitin Machine Works and the Whitin Community Association have arranged to supply the necessary work space, tools and materials needed for the project.

You can help these men in their worthy endeavor by calling the Gymnasium and notifying them that you wish to contribute used or superfluous toys in your household. Pick up your telephone today and call Whitinsville 4-2349.

Whitin Personality

"Yes, I've followed baseball for a long time," said Edward C. Driscoll. "Why, away back in 1904 I saw old Cy Young shut out Connie Mack's Athletics 3–0 with not a man reaching first base. But if you want to see good baseball go up and watch the Little League. Those little fellows can hit, can run, and the way their tiny hands can handle a ball is remarkable."

Edward, who for the past fifty-seven years has been employed in the Whitin Machine Works, was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on August 25, 1881. While he was still a small child his family moved to Blackstone where he attended school. At the age of fourteen he began his employment here.

"It's not quite correct to say that I've worked on the Roll Job for fifty-seven years," said Mr. Driscoll, "for once, when business was slack, I worked on the Comber Job for three weeks. There have been a lot of changes in that time. When I started in this department the Roll Job took up but a small part of the floor. There have been six superintendents in my time, and from this window I watched the Whitin Gymnasium built."

Edward has been a member of the Community Organization since its inception. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and for many years was a member of the Garden Club. He gave up gardening when he moved to the Blue Eagle seven years ago. It has been some years since he gave much time to his former hobby of fishing, as he now prefers to spend his time watching baseball and basketball.

Mr. Driscoll is the father of State Representative Luke Driscoll and the grandfather of twelve-year-old Mary, ten-year-old Edward, and six-year-old Kathleen Driscoll. His brother, Thomas, is employed in the Main Office.

"What did I grow in my garden? Well, I'll tell you," Edward said, his eyes twinkling, "vegetables, flowers, and no weeds. There wasn't room for the weeds because I lived in the garden."

FRONT COVER: Construction of this bridge completes a fire wall extending from Building 27 through Building 4. Now should a blaze start in one half of the plant it would be prevented from spreading to the other half. An article on fire prevention starts on page 7.

Let's not have this happen to the Whitin Machine Works

Can It ~~Can't~~ Happen Here!

FIRE gutted a Philadelphia manufacturing plant, causing its total destruction and a loss of $3,000,000 . . . but it can't happen here. In New Jersey fire raged through a brewery while fourteen workmen, trapped in huge fermentation tanks, slowly roasted to death . . . but of course it can't happen here. Flames raced through a Chicago electrical appliance plant, killing thirty-four workers . . . naturally it can't happen here . . . **OR CAN IT?**

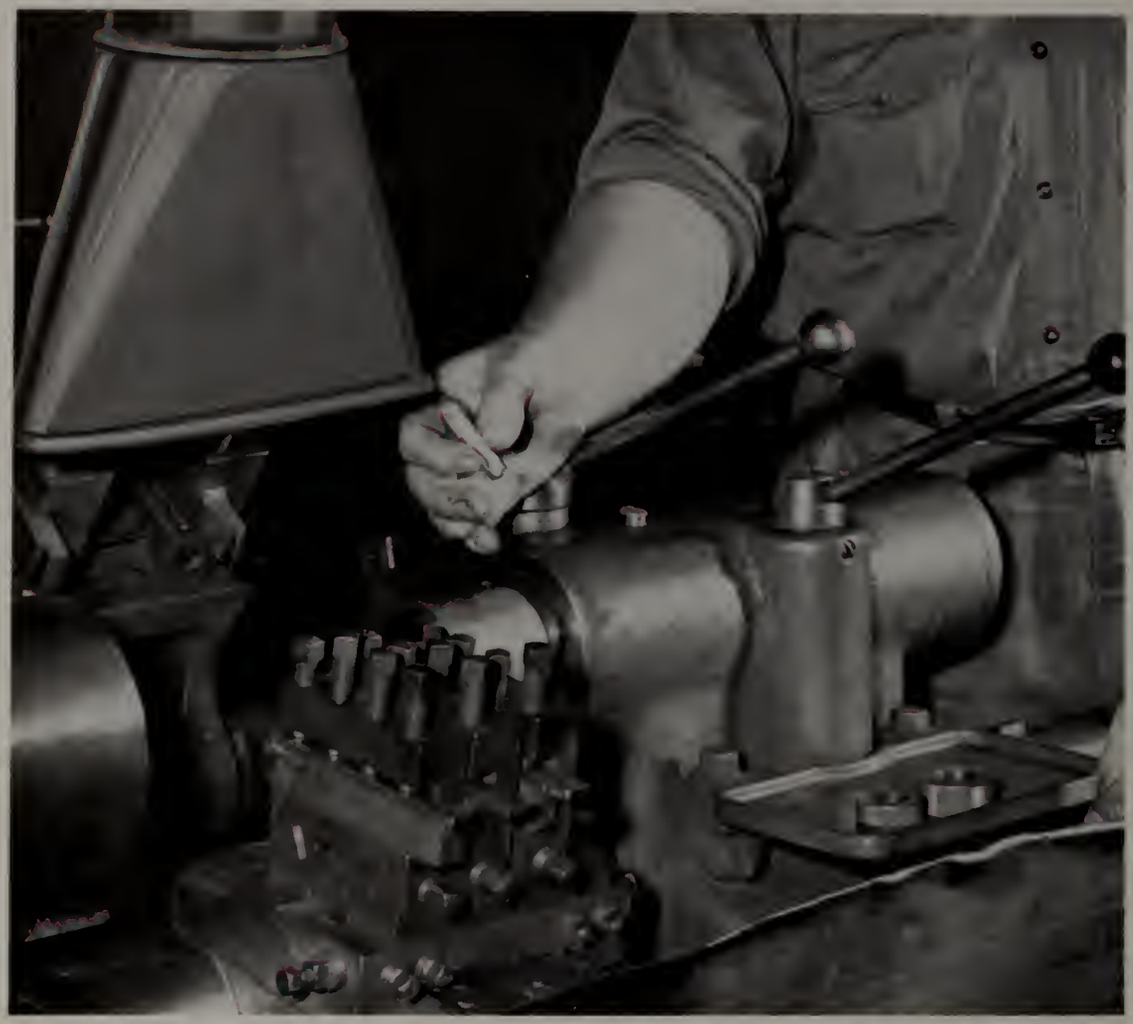
Fire can happen to the Whitin Machine Works as it did to 22,000 manufacturing plants last year, causing uncounted deaths, job losses, and business failures. Yes, it could cost your life or your job. That's why we have both fire prevention and fire protection to protect you.

Our modern, well-trained and equipped fire department if alerted in time, may be able to stop the spread of any fire before it reaches the conflagration stage.

With three pieces of pumping equipment, a ladder truck, and emergency truck available from our fire station, the fifty call men of the department can throw over 2,000 gallons of water per minute on the flames. Sprinkler systems, fire doors, and fire extinguishers are so located throughout the plant that small fires can easily be localized and extinguished.

But at best such methods are like hanging a thief for stealing and eating your cow. It doesn't bring the

HOW *Not* TO WIN FRIENDS



This arm and cigarette symbolize the unknown smokers who caused six fires by putting lighted cigarette butts in the dust-removal hoods

cow back. The important thing is to prevent such unfortunate experiences from occurring. Chief Philip B. Walker estimates that a fire caused by a careless person could do a quarter of a million dollars damage to our plant before the fire could be brought under control.

In view of the fact that twenty-seven per cent of all fires are caused by smokers it is not surprising that cigarette butts and matches cause fires in this plant. The most dangerous areas—near degreasers, woodworking areas, packing areas and inflammable liquids—are marked by "No Smoking" signs. **WATCH FOR THESE WARNING SIGNS.** The person who sneaks a smoke in such places risks more than a white slip, for he is likely to start a blaze that may cost you your life or job.

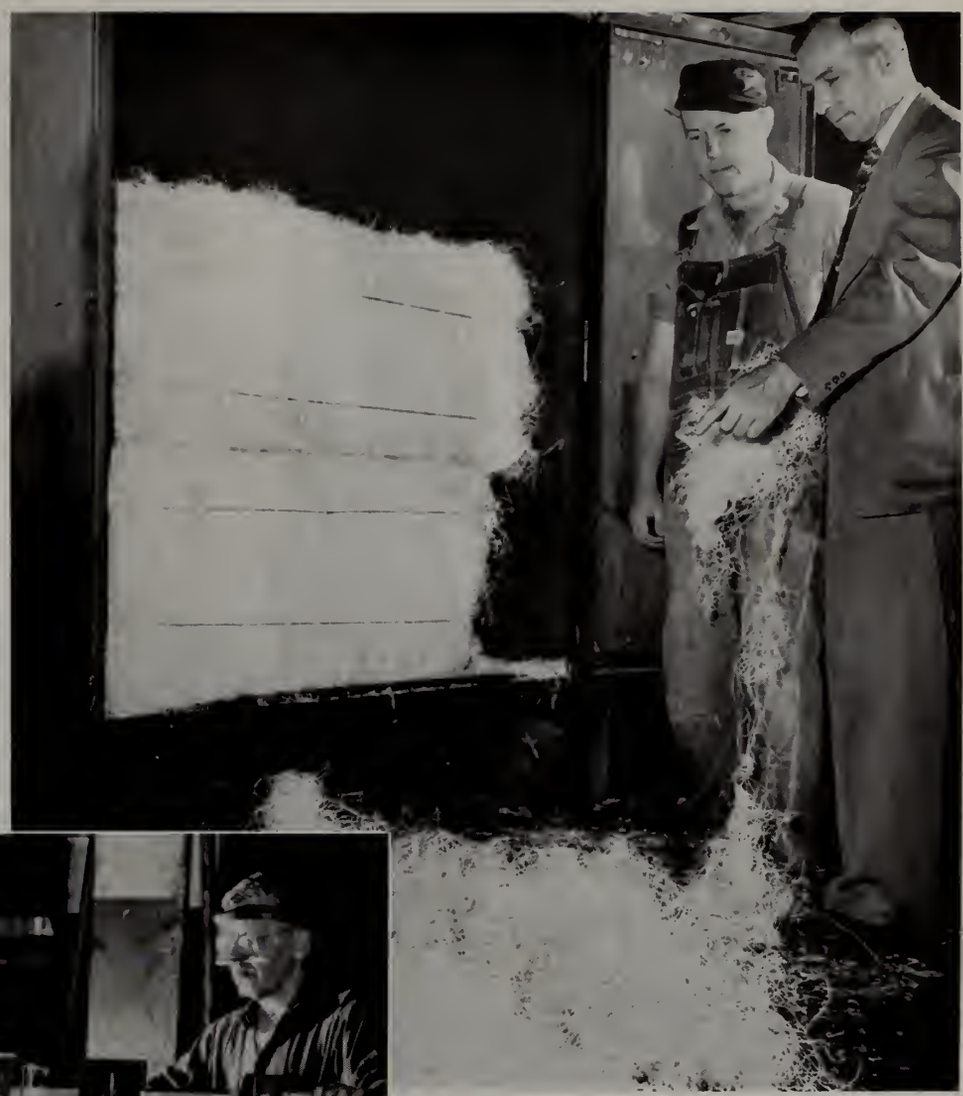
Your best friend may have told you that the magnesium used in the Whitin Machine Works won't burn. Your best friend is wrong if he believes that rumor. Here is the reason for the "No smoking while working on Magnesium" signs. Magnesium dust and chips are likely to catch fire and burn at a temperature in excess of 2,000 degrees—that's the reason that incendiary bombs are made of the stuff—and burning magnesium chips can set the block magnesium afire.

It hasn't happened here yet, but if a magnesium blaze starts near you, use *only* the special *yellow extinguisher* in putting it out. Water is to burning magnesium as gasoline is to an ordinary fire. Carbon tetrachloride poured on burning magnesium results in the formation of the deadly gas phosgene. But, the chemical in the yellow extinguisher forms a thick crust over the burning magnesium and puts it out safely.

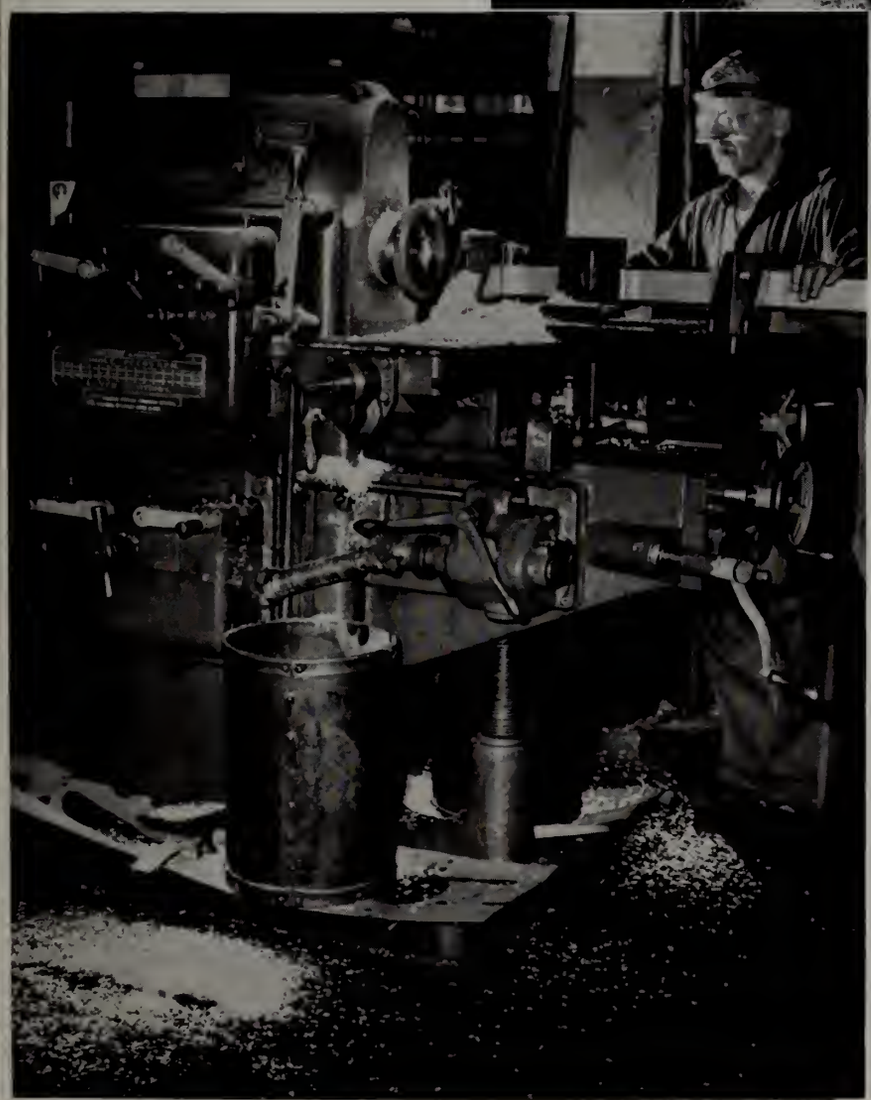
Costly fires—*six* so far this year—occur in the pipes of the ventilating systems that remove cast iron dust from the various jobs where cast iron is ground. The bill on the last blaze was a thousand dollars. *The cause:* workers at these machines flipped still-burning butts into the exhaust hoods. The oil-laden dust ignited and under the forced draft the blaze spread. *The remedy:* never use any hood as an ash tray.

Be just as careful at home. If you live in the area of town served by the fire hydrants your home, like every other building in the area, will be inspected during Fire Prevention Week by a member of the Fire Department. If fire hazards are found, a report will be filed and a follow-up made to see that the condition is corrected.

"This annual inspection," said Mr. Walker, "has reduced markedly the possibility of a serious conflagration in town and has prevented many of the smaller fires we formerly had to extinguish."



Fire hazards are reduced if excelsior used in packing is kept from piling up on the floor. Leonard Brock of the Fire Department points out a dangerous condition to Alphonsor Noel, supervisor of packers

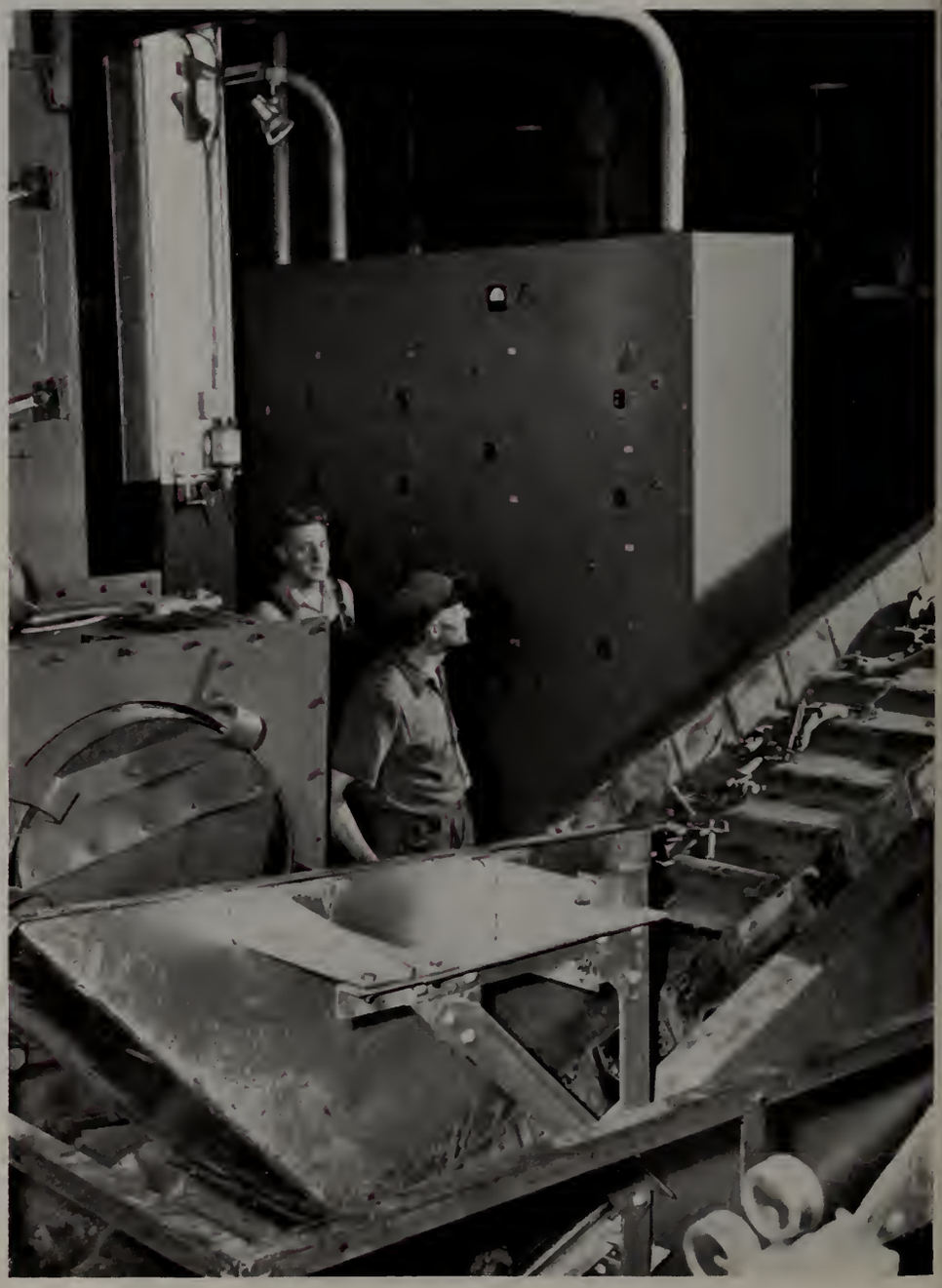


Fluffy magnesium chips pile up as Frank Rondeau end-mills a magnesium bar. It is dangerous to smoke within 50 feet of such work. If the magnesium catches fire use only the special yellow extinguishers to control the blaze

New Conveyor Aids Production

Top left: By the time the castings reach the Rattling Room they are cool enough to permit removal of the sprues, a process that lessens the load on the conveyor. From the left: John Shamshaian and Moses Malkasian

Middle left: After sprueing is completed the castings are transferred from one belt to another. At this point much of the loose dirt is removed. The new conveyor begins at the right of George Harding and Theodore Matte



Right: From this spot, the heart of the new conveyor, Albert Zuidema, wearing cap, operates the entire system. The control panel in the background governs 16 synchronized motors. Also shown is Etienne "Pete" Brousseau of Tool Job Maintenance

As part of the Whitin policy of improving working conditions and speeding deliveries to our customers a 175-foot-long conveyor has been installed between the Foundry and the Cast Iron Room. This device not only makes the cleaning of castings a much easier operation but shortens the period between casting and snagging by two hours. Now the cleaned castings are dropped on the sorting table while still warm to the touch.

The initial steps of casting and dumping are performed in the Foundry, from where the castings are carried by an existing conveyor. Upon their arrival in the Rattling Room the sprues are removed and the castings loaded onto the new belt. The belt lifts them into a machine where the remaining sand is shaken off and automatically transports the metal to a new Wheelabrator.

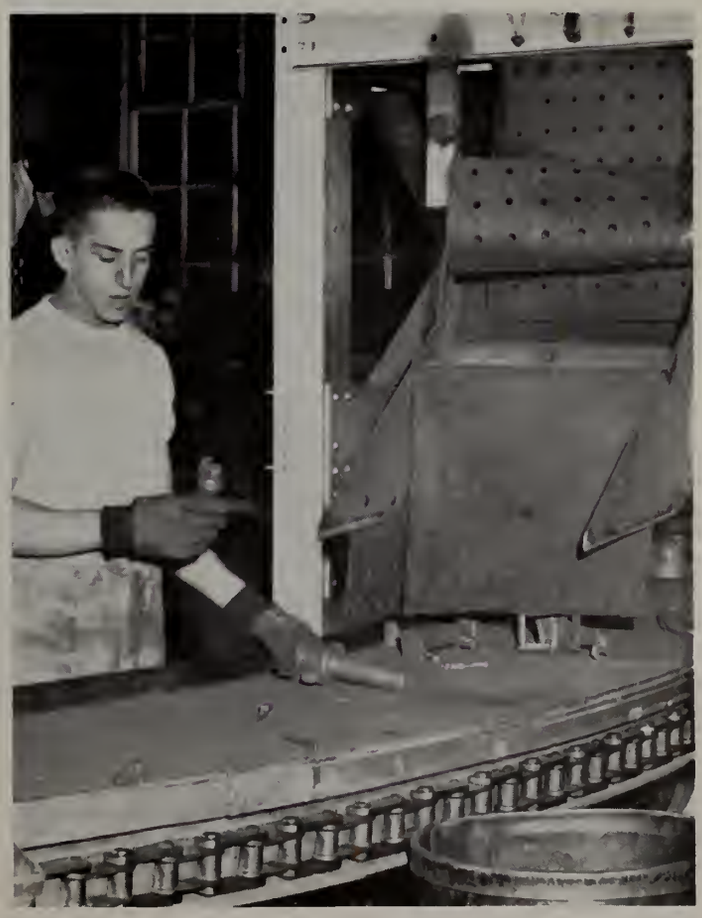
Here the sand-and-scale-incrusted metal is turned so that all surfaces are exposed to an abrasive blast of steel shot hurled at tornado speed by whirling wheels. The gleaming castings, pushed by the castings behind, emerge from the Wheelabrator in a matter of five or six minutes, and drop onto an endless belt.

The cleaning machine also automatically reclaims the $400-a-ton steel shot and returns it for further use. Pipes carry off the worn shot, scale and heavier waste. Dust is blown to a hopper from where it is carried by narrow-gauge railroad.

The belt moves overhead, protected by safety guards at points where workers might suffer accidental injury, and drops the castings, measuring up to twelve inches in dimension, onto a rotating circular sorting table. Here they are sorted, gates and other scrap removed, and sent for snagging.

This heavy conveyor, moving at a speed of from twenty to thirty feet a minute, is capable of handling the entire small-casting output of our Foundry operating at maximum capacity. In these days of short lead times and quick deliveries it should prove of great value.

Men from several departments plus some outside steel erectors worked to install the conveyor. Following the construction of foundations by the men of the Maintenance Department supervised by Leonard Brock, the task of constructing this machine was completed in the two-week vacation period through the joint effort of outside steel erectors, the Tool Job Maintenance crew under Joseph Rosol, the Millwrights, and the electrical work under Frederic Willis and Michael Pristawa.



Top: Charles Giardano removes a dust bucket below the new Wheelabrator
Bottom: As the still-warm clean castings drop on to the circular sorting table Roland Tardie and others inspect them

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The CHILDREN'S CORNER

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1. This is James W. Robertson, who is the grandson of James A. Robertson, Main Office

2. Here is Ronnie, the 5-year-old son of Elphage Morin of Department 429

3. Kenneth and Jo Ann Aspinwall are the children of George Aspinwall, Molder Apprentice

4. Audrey and Janice Creighton, ages 8 and 6, are the granddaughters of Mrs. Creighton of Master List

5. Mrs. Betty Bezik, wife of Steve Bezik of Department 432, hugs their daughters, 4-year-old Susan and 7-year-old Joanne

6. George M. and Garrick H. are the sons of Herman Hathaway of Department 432

7. Robert Bouchard, son of Wilfred Bouchard of the Milling Job, holds his brother Stephen

8. Susan Brouillette is the daughter of Gerard Brouillette, who works in the Foundry

9. Richard Turcotte, son of elevator operator Leo Turcotte, dances with his cousin, Simone Turcotte

10. Billy Freeman, Jr., is the grandson of Horry Freemon of Department 429

11. Dwight D. Lachapelle's father, Richard Lachapelle, is a Molder Apprentice

16.

12. James J. Roberts is the son of Armand Roberts, in the Foundry

13. This demure miss is Gail Ann Sutherland whose father, Norman Sutherland, works in Department 416

14. Susan Imondi is the daughter of Leo Imondi, Spindle Job

15. Colleen, Stevie, Chrystopher, Donald, and Rosemary Cahill are grandchildren of George Castelli, 432

16. John Lalor, the father of Jane, Tom, Pete, and Jackie Lalor, works in Methods

17. Ellen and Edward Nyenhuis are the grandchildren of Peter Jongsma, Foreman of the Gear Job

18. Raymond Chauvin, Sr., of Department 439 is proud of young Raymond Chauvin, Jr.

19. Michoel Boover, son of Bernard Boover of Department 411, grins at the world

20. William Smith, Department 423, is the father of winsome Corol ond Gail Smith of Douglas

21. Jennie Baker, Department 416, is the grandmother of Joey Haringa

22. Normand, Ronald, and Paul ore the sons of Normand Tessier, Foundry

23. Enjoying the soap and water is Linda, 2-year-old doughter of Raymond Marshall, Deportment 432

24. Kathleen Jane Rice is the daughter of James Rice, Department 453

25. Seated with their dolls are Sondra Jeon and Sonno Louise Ashton, daughters of John Ashton of the Milling Job

26. Debro Elizobeth Smith is the daughter of Herbert Smith, Ring Job

27. This lad is John, son of John Meagher, Gear Job

28. Mrs. Louis Bilodeau, inspector in Department 411, is the grandmofher of Mary and John Olis

29. Bruce Allan and Mary Beth are the children of Morion Metcalf, 448A, and William Metcalf, 408

30. Linda Joy, Joseph V., and Thomas Anthony are the children of Apprentice Joseph Zito

31. Ranee, Karen, and Bobby are the children of Rolph Stinson of Wage Standords

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KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

PARKERIZING AND NICKEL-PLATING

by Bill Healy and Rene Ethier

We have met up with most of our senior men this month and we would like to congratulate each and every one of them: Pete Deboer received his 30-year pin; Bob Stewart, Phillip Heney, Oscar Asadoorian, and Anteras Bedigian received 20-year service pins.

A testimonial was given Ralph Cutler by his fellow workers on the evening of August 8. Ralph retired from the Whitin Machine Works after 30 years of employment. A chicken supper was served at the Riverside Club and entertainment was enjoyed by 50 of Ralph's friends. Ralph was presented with a Kaywoodie pipe, two pounds of tobacco, and a smoking stand. Seated at the head table with the guest of honor were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cutler, Ralph's son and daughter-in-law; Mr. William Steele, divisional superintendent and Mrs. Steele; Foreman Ernest Lawson, and Rene Ethier, supervisor. Everyone wishes Ralph the best of health and good luck.

SPINNING, CARD ERECTING AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

Recently members of these departments received service pins representing 145 years of service. Philip DeMers, who began work on July 14, 1923, received his 30-year pin. Save for a two-year period during World War II when he worked on magnetoes, Philip has worked continuously on the set-up floors. Among his hobbies are stamp collecting, gardening, and screen making. Married, the father of eight children and the grandfather of two, he lives on D Street.

Alex "Mac" McFarland, who started work September 5, 1923, also received his 30-year pin. An ardent sportsman, Mac, who lives at 33 North Main Street, also enjoys a quiet evening at home with his pipe and family. His daughter Jean is at home, his son Robert is serving with the Army in Japan, and his daughter Mary is married. A grandchild takes up a lot of his time.

Bernard Kelliher, who received his 20-year pin, first began work here in 1928. He was made an assistant foreman in 1947. Bernard, Mrs. Kelliher, and their children Kenneth and Kathleen, live at 32 Forrest Street. Everyone is pulling for the speedy recovery of Kathy, Worcester County's first 1953 polio victim.

Raymond Roche, of 1 Linden Street, received his 20-year pin. During World War II he flew thousands of miles in flying boxcars as a naval radio man, seeing most of the battle areas and crossing the hump. Ray, a good sport himself, enjoys baseball and football.

Leo Paul Gamelin, the recipient of a 20-year pin, is married to the former Jeannette Dutilly. They are the parents of eight-month-old John Bernard. Good-natured Paul is frequently kidded about his market basket, his "new" car, and his many trips to the back door to let in his key-forgetting neighbor Harry Cornell. Paul came here in July, 1933, served in the Army Air Force during World War II, and enjoys improving his home.

Frank O'Brien, who returned to work here in August, 1943, received his 10-year pin. Frank lives in Woonsocket where he was a councilman for a two-and-a-half year period. He and Mrs. O'Brien have a six-year-old son.

Ten-year man Francis G. Coffey, Jr., began work July 2, 1943. During the war he served in Hawaii with the 762 M.P. Company. He and Mrs. Coffey, the former Rita Consigli, are proud of their sons, Francis, III, and David Michael.

And now that five-year man; he who is teaching his boxer to swim; he who you will meet any Saturday night on Woonsocket's streets; none other than Wade Mills, better known as "Rebel." A native of Draper, North Carolina, he lives with Mrs. Mills and their daughter, Carol Ann, in Woonsocket.

Henry Barnett relieved some woman's anxiety by returning the well-laden pocketbook he found on Church Street. . . . Bob Williams deserves a prize for his garden. . . . Jim Woodburn coached a Little League team. . . . Ken Procter is at Camp Drum, New York.

TIN SHOP, PAINT JOB, AND CREEL JOB

by Claude Bolduc

Congratulations to Paul P. Rutana who was elected a selectman of Northbridge. Paul has always been interested in town affairs. . . . Roy Swanson, planner, was recently transferred to Department 446. John Kennedy, of the Foundry and a native of Woonsocket, took over Roy's duties. . . . Tony Tomazewski, of Crib 25, has left the employment of the W.M.W. He was replaced by Edmund Allega. . . . Some of the boys are wondering when we're going to have another steak supper. At the last party everyone had a wonderful time. So, talk it up and we'll have another one soon.

When Ralph Cutler, who began work here on April, 1923, retired on August 7, 1953, he received as gifts from his fellow associates a Kaywoodie pipe, two pounds of tobacco, and a smoking stand. He also was the guest of honor at a party on August 8

Andrew Vanderslaat began work here on September 16, 1921, and retired August 7, 1953. Erle Hammond presented him with a purse, the gift of his fellow workers. Andrew had operated No. 4 elevatar for the past seventeen years

RING JOB

by Robert Balcome

I brought a piece of ragweed into the plant last month and asked several if they knew what it was. It was amazing to note that no one recognized it, except that they used it for "coffee" when playing as children. Ragweed is the main reason for discomfiture due to hay fever from August 15 until a heavy frost. Ragweed pollen is scattered far and wide during the hay fever season. Clear days and windy days are worse for the afflicted than rainy days, as the rain washes the air and affords some relief. It should be the duty of every civic-minded citizen to help eradicate this pest. It grows everywhere. Either pull it up by the roots, or cut it down about August 10. This prevents the plant from developing to the pollen stage. There are two kinds, dwarf and giant. I have seen no giant ragweed, which grows eight to ten feet high, in this locality, but the dwarf is everywhere around here.

There was one omission in last month's column which was noted indirectly and not through the subject himself. We neglected to mention that Peter Roberts was the recipient of a 20-year Service Pin at the same time others in the department were given theirs. Sorry, Pete, but congratulations. . . . Dick Lemay's cottage at Laurel Lake is a handy place for your reporter to go and fish. Dick has made many improvements in his cottage and grounds but what irks me most is to hear him tell how this fellow caught large fish, etc. When I go there all the large fish are in the center of the pond, leaving the worm eaters within reach of shore. . . . Theresa Creasia has left us, we hope she will return. We welcome back Dot Seagrave, Celia Donaldson and Al Brothers. . . . A praying mantis paid us a visit during the past week, much to the consternation of the different ones on the floor. It was discovered on the roof, landed on the window sill in front of Celia Baker, and then took off toward the Blue Eagle lawn. . . . We regret to announce that fellow-worker Jim Gusney was the object of a manhunt recently in Uxbridge, having got lost in a blueberry patch. We understood the police, boy scouts, and bloodhounds found him picking and eating blueberries. . . . Joe Witek and some of the boys informed me they were going on a fishing trip in the near future and expected to include Jim Gusney in the party. Jim will be tied to Joe to prevent "him" from getting lost. Which "him"? . . . We were sorry to lose Adrien Morin from the Ring Job. "Tut," a ten-year man, had an opportunity at another kind of business and while still young, grabbed at it in hopes of a brighter future. The best wishes of all of his associates go with him. Good luck, "Tut." . . . We have been getting quite a share of service pins in our department recently. Congratulations go to the following: Joe Hetherington, a 30-year Service Pin; Alice Dionne, Louis Roy, Albert Roy and Archie Handfield, 20-year Service Pins.

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

That happy smile on Oscar Antoian's face is for a very good reason. For the first time in eight years all his children were home at the same time! Harry, a road man for the Shop, recently returned from Brazil; Tony, who is in the Merchant Marines, brought home his Australian bride; George, only recently discharged from the Army after serving one year in Korea and winning the Bronze Star, was home with his Canadian bride and year-old daughter, Denise. His other son, John Torosian, is the night supervisor of the Tool Job, and is married to the former Elizabeth Bennett of West Medway. Dorothy, his only daughter, works at 417, and is well known as a basketball player, bowler, and softball player.

DEPARTMENT 411

by Lois Heerdt

Congratulations to Harry Remillard, Lawrence Kane, and Joseph Deane on receiving their 20-year service pins. . . . The "Good Time Golf Club" had an outing at Bill Lavallee's camp in Douglas in August. We understand they did their own cooking. . . . Tony Bellione and Joe Martin better practice up a little on their golfing. You fellows certainly took a beating from "Peanuts" Johnson and Bill Mayberry! Come on, fellows, let's show them they're not as good as they think they are! . . . A group from our department went to Boston in September to see the Red Sox–Cleveland Indians baseball game. They had previously gone in August but the game was called off because of rain. . . . On August 20, Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Sunn and Mr. and Mrs. David Gray celebrated their 32nd wedding anniversaries in New York City.

ANNEALING ROOM

by Barbara Allen and Lionel Arguin

This month we'd like to introduce you to Dominic Dimarco. Nick drives the truck in the Annealing Room where he loads and unloads the boxes and platforms of castings

Mary Dimarco, Peter, and Dominic, Jr., enjoy the scenery of Meadow Pond from a boat built by Dominic Dimarco, Sr., Annealing Room Personality-of-the-Month. The boat has a 22½ h.p. motor

Glen Leveille of Department 422 and his brother-in-law caught these fighting 60-pound tuna eight miles at sea between Provincetown and North Truro

Archie Bolivar visited the family homestead in Nova Scotia during his July vacation. Shown with Archie are his son, T/Sgt. Danald Balivor, U.S.M.C., his daughter-in-law and dog

for the annealing furnaces. He moved from Chicago, Illinois, where he was a cab driver, eight years ago. He and his wife, Mary, and two sons, Peter and Dominic, Jr., live in New Village. Nick's hobbies include deep-sea fishing (you should hear about the ones that got away), woodworking, and boating. Speaking of boats, Nick built himself a plywood torpedo racing boat with a 22½ h.p. engine. He has put a great deal of time and effort into it and should be very proud of the finished product.

If you've ever driven through Boston, and you weren't quite sure of where you were going, I'm sure you can find a bit of humor in the following story: Newk Wallace recently purchased a car and got a license and, brave soul that he is, ventured to drive through "the Big City" of Boston. He was doing fine until someone told him he should take a left turn and follow the line of cars. He did so, and after waiting a minute or two, came to the conclusion that the cars ahead of him were PARKED!

Get-well wishes for Vernard Tracy, who is recuperating after a visit to the hospital.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

Alton White reports he spent a fine vacation visiting the Green Mountains, Lake Champlain, Ausable Chasm, North Pole, Henry Ford's Museum and Niagara Falls. . . . We are all glad to see Albert Montgomery back after an illness of a few weeks. . . . Thurston Brown visited Ausable Chasm and the North Pole and reports a grand trip with ideal weather. . . . Nancy Britten had a fine trip to Miami, but prefers the Blue Ridge Mountains which she toured on the way back north. . . . Mildred Cook reports her trip to Nova Scotia a hazardous one with muddy roads in Northern Maine, and fog with 20 foot visibility which lasted most of every day. She was glad to get back to Whitinsville and sunshine. . . . Mary Hayward and Lorraine Dufault had quite a time at "Allen A Camp" in New Hampshire with all entertainment provided and a trip down Lake Winnepesaukee plus very good food. . . . Henry Belanger, who built himself a cottage at Narragansett Beach, came back with a tan equal to that of "L" Street Brownies of Boston. . . . We welcome Theresa Bowers to the Repair section and Leo Gauthier who is back with us after his Army service. . . . If when driving by the Maple Tree Inn, you should notice two turkeys out for a stroll, take a closer look and behind them you will find Ray Forsythe of the Receiving Department. The two birds are the start of his turkey ranch.

METAL PATTERNS

by William Prior

Personality: Gerrit Dykstra was born in Workum, Holland, in the year 1900. At the age of 11 years he came to America with his folks and settled in Whitinsville. At the age of 16 he was apprenticed at the Whitin Machine Works, in 1918 came to Department 402, in which he is now foreman. He was made secondhand under the late C. M. Stuart in 1930 and became foreman in 1945. With 35 years of service to his credit at Whitin Machine, he also has put in one and a half years at the Chrysler Tool Company in Detroit, Michigan. He and Mrs. Dykstra, the former Hattie Oppewall of Whitinsville, have four daughters. They own their home on Linwood Avenue. Gerrit's favorite hobby is bowling, but he also spends considerable time reading.

We wish Bob Caston a speedy recovery from his illness and hope he will soon return to work. Bob was in the Whitinsville Hospital for four weeks. . . . Congratulations to Ed Kileline who recently received his 20-year Service Pin. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stimpson have returned from a two weeks' stay at Rangeley, Maine. . . . Bill Farland enjoyed two weeks at Old Orchard Beach. . . . Gerrit Dykstra and Bernard DeVries took a week's auto trip through New Hampshire. . . . The construction job on Joe Connors' porch is completed. Louis Stimpson and Joe constructed it with lots of verbal help from this department.

GRINDER JOB

by Virginia Burke

Personality: Archie Jacobs, one of the grinder night supervisors, was born in Whitinsville, February 21, 1919, and has always lived here. He attended Northbridge schools until beginning work at Whitins. He has worked here for 16 years. Before becoming a night supervisor he worked days as a grinder operator and was much missed when he made his change. Archie is married and has two children, Margaret age five years, and Randy age three years. Archie was in the service of his country for three years with the rating of corporal. His hobbies are fishing and fox hunting. He claims he has the best foxhound in town.

We trust by the time you receive this copy of THE SPINDLE Clement Cote and Ernest Perrin will have recovered from their recent illness and be back on their jobs once more. . . . We have had several changes on the job the past few weeks. We are sorry to lose the men and trust they will be back again before too long. . . . Our most serious discussions center around a refrigerator that runs continually. This said refrigerator formerly resided in Linwood. . . . Joseph Bergeron received his five-year pin. Congratulations, Joe, and many more years with us. . . . Birthday greetings to Herman Picard, William Todd, and George Moran. Also wedding anniversary congratulations to the William Todds.

RESEARCH DIVISION

by Warren Campbell

Winners of the first half of the Research Golf League were Ted Giemza and Joe Laczynski, but with the second half well under way, it doesn't look as if they will be able to repeat their first-half performance. . . . Tentative plans are under way for a clambake to be held at Webster Lake on September 19, as a windup to the golf season.

This is just to serve as an advance warning to all wives, as this promises to be an "all-day" affair. . . . Herb Cutler was presented his 20-year pin by E. K. Swift, Jr. Congratulations, Herb. . . . Gene Brosseau left us on August 1 to accept a position in Springfield, Massachusetts. . . . Rupert Smith and family enjoyed a week's vacation on Bass River in South Yarmouth, Cape Cod. . . . Paul Valacer and family have moved into their new home at 11 Fair Street, Uxbridge. . . . Chris Walsh can't forget his shop badge number—it's the same number as his street address. . . . Our supply of fresh "cukes" has been plentiful of late. Glad that Ross Newton had such good luck with his garden. Wonder how Bill Linkow's garden is doing this year? . . . A note to all new home builders: If you want advice or help with your painting, ask Eileen Holmes. She is quite an expert and now has Bea Cant working at it. . . . Bill Werth isn't quite as far away now up in those Douglas Woods. He now has a phone. . . . If anyone is interested Ernie Goyette has a TV set he would like to get rid of. You must supply your own picture tube.

CARPENTER SHOP AND MISCELLANEOUS WOOD WORK

by Frank Ruo

Personality of the Month: Joseph Pouliot who was born in Canada in 1885, came to the States at the age of 22. He settled in Linwood and worked in the Linwood Mill for two years. He was married in 1909. Joseph and Mrs. Pouliot have raised six children and have nine grandchildren. Mr. Pouliot works in Department 466 where he has been a cabinet maker for 42 years. His favorite hobby is pitching quoits with the boys. It is nice to have him around.

We welcome to our department Mrs. Evelyn Johnson who is now time clerk, replacing Richard Baily. Dick has been transferred to the Linwood Mill.

BOX JOB

by Bernice Werth

Paul Roy and Albert Kapolka were presented 20-year pins in August. The presentations were made by Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Robert Stewart. We all extend our congratulations to these men and wish them many more years of service. . . . Birthday greetings to "Chillo" Lariviere, our assistant foreman and many happy returns to Henry Such who celebrates his wedding anniversary this month. . . . We welcome Carl Larsson to the Box Job. Carl was transferred from 422. . . . Our timekeeper, Lucy Ross, has gone back to 423, and Gladys Hickey from Linwood Mill is our new timekeeper. We miss Lucy, but we know that she is glad to be "home" again. We welcome Mrs. Hickey and hopes she likes us.

STEEL FABRICATION AND CUTTING-OFF JOBS

by Maurice Valois

Best wishes to our good friends and co-workers, Arthur Mercier and Allen McCrea upon their transfer to Department 426. Good luck to Frank J. Rousseau and Ernest McClure, who left Department 410 due to a reduction in personnel. . . . To those who remember our former Inspector Leonard J. Walenty, please (attention Department 436) write to him at this address: Pvt. Leonard J. Walenty, US-51185482, Co. B, 29th Tk. Bn. (hvy), APO 42, c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y. I am sure your news will be well received. . . . Welcome home to our western sun-tanned traveler, Emilio Taddie, who just returned from an extended visit in Montana and Western Canada. Keep your eyes on him, he may still be carrying his trusty "45."

It's interesting to observe our two apprentices, John Steele and John Kortecamp working on Sheet Metal Layout Patterns. From all reports, after this work is checked by our versatile foreman, Chester Bonczek, we find the boys are a credit to their apprentice classmates. . . . Wedding anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Closson, 31 years; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kelliher, 24 years; Mr. and Mrs. John Bartlenski, 15 years; Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Valois, 12 years; Mr. and Mrs. Setrak Akillian, nine years; Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Miclette, six years; Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Menard, six years; Mr. and Mrs. George (Gloria of Department 410) LaRoche, five years and Mr. and Mrs. John Kortecamp, three years. . . . Messrs. Cunningham and Wasiuk presented Arthur Jerry Lemire a 20-year service pin and Bob Anderson a 10-year service pin. Said Jerry, "The time went by quickly." We wish both of you many more happy years at Whitin.

Our genial planner-timekeeper, James Fitzgerald, recently sold his home on Fowler Road, and expects to move to larger quarters soon. If all goes according to plans, our department is honored by having Herbert Woeller's photograph in the popular "Familiar Faces Around the Plant" section of the SPINDLE. . . . Harold Kelliher, planner in Department 410 and Ronald "Chick" Blakely of Research, partners in the Whitin Home Garden Club, were awarded first prize in the "Best-Half Garden" class. This is an event for both as it is their first attempt at gardening—"Carrot Tops" to you fellows. . . . To those who are planning on building their own house in the future, check with Emil Aussant and Ernest Lemire. The results of their individual toil is earning them daily compliments. . . . Glad to have with us our former hard worker Gerard Boulanger, who returned to the Steel Racking Section of 410. Gerry was on Department 453 for a while. . . . For a delightful surprise and a good evening snack, take a short ride on Route 146 and stop at the Steak House. Here you get a charcoal broiled steak sandwich at a price that will make you ask for seconds. . . . We hope by the time John Pouliot reads this column, he will be fully recovered from his major operation at the Baker General Hospital. . . . Birthday greetings to Alfred Nichols, Emil Aussant and in case my wife should forget I'll wish myself a happy 29th birthday.

DICK WILLIAMS IS THE NEW FOREMAN OF CARD JOB

RICHARD O. WILLIAMS, who has been acting as Foreman of Pratt and Whitney grinder erection, was appointed Foreman of the Card Job on July 20. Born at Swan's Island, Maine, on April 14, 1891, Dick came to the Whitin Machine Works in 1912, left to serve in the Army during World War I, and returned to the plant on December 29, 1916. He worked on the Comber Job, the Picker Job, was Assistant Foreman of Card Erecting, and during World War II was Foreman in charge of assembling aviation magnetos.

Dick and Mrs. Williams, the former Minnie H. McClellan, live at 7 Linden Street, Whitinsville. Their son, Owen R. Williams, and their daughter, Olive Kozak, are employed in the Whitin Machine Works.

From the left: Gaston Menard and Rene Rock of Department 432 and Gaston's brother-in-law, Paul Garant, vacationed at St. Hyacinthe, Quebec

John Mahoney, shown with Mrs. Mahoney, is the Personality-of-the-Month from Stock Room 406

STOCK ROOM 406

by Claire Lapierre

I'll start this column by telling you that your former reporter, Miss Arline Mickolaycik, is now working in the office of the Schuster Woolen Company and we wish her success in her new job.

Personality of the Month: If you happen to be passing through Department 406, and meet a good-natured supervisor on the mezzanine floor, it is none other than John P. Mahoney. John was born in Whitinsville where he has resided all his life. He owns his home on Main Street, where he, his wife Helen, six sons and three daughters enjoy an ideal family life. He has worked in the Shop for 25 years and all this time was spent at 406. A son, John, Jr., works in No. 5 Crib. Mr. Mahoney enjoys gardening as his favorite hobby and he is the chief turkey plucker at the Buker Turkey Farm.

We are happy to welcome back to work Peter Johnson who has been out sick for several weeks. . . . Also, we wish a speedy recovery to Leonard White who is now a patient at the General Cushing Hospital. . . . John Toohey, driven by Ray Woodcome, went to New York to meet his wife who recently returned from a trip to Ireland. . . . When we came back to work after vacation, we were surprised to hear that there were two very fortunate people in our department, who are proud owners of new Dodges. Maggie Londergan is now sporting a light blue one, and Harold Adams, a dark green beach wagon.

The workers in this department spent a very pleasant vacation, and many had interesting tales to tell upon their return to work. Many took daily trips and others made longer journeys. Irene Croke and husband stayed at Lake George. . . . Gertrude Brennan and husband drove up to Niagara Falls. . . . Harold Adams spent his vacation at the Cape and enjoyed the visit of a few of his fellow workers. . . . Mike Hekemian and family went to Portland, Maine.

ROLL JOB

by John Onanian

The personality of the month is Henry Tatro better known as Harold. He was born here in Whitinsville and went to the public schools in town. He did a lot of caddying at the Whitinsville Golf Club and started to work in the Shop in 1932. His first job was in the stock room. Because of slack times he was laid off and, when called back in 1933, he came to the Roll Job. He was on general shop work until about two years ago when he was put on grinding which is his present job. He was married in April of 1941 to Marguerite Young of Milford and is the father of a son. He likes swimming and follows baseball, football and basketball. He is also on our job's bowling team.

Stanley Konvent saw a sale on working pants and they were going at less than one-half price, so, Stanley thought he'd buy a couple. The catch was they were size 44 and he wears size 36. Anyway Stan, you got twice as much cloth. . . . Cecil Baker's trip to Wyoming to visit his son was also profitable as he bought $2,000,000 worth of shares in the RED ELEPHANT GOLD MINE for only ONE DOLLAR. . . . We're glad to see A. F. Gill back to work after being out because of illness. . . . John Rutana is still out and we hope he'll be back before long.

Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Sangster presented 20-year service pins during the month of August to: M. Malkasian, S. Konvent, A. Baillargeon, P. Kasparian, C. E. Carlson, J. Machota and J. Onanian. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Chester Flinton attended his Army outfit's reunion party at Collegeville, Pennsylvania on the week end of August 15 and they had a very enjoyable time with his buddies. . . . Birthday greetings go to Pauline Machota, Joseph Reneau and John Bednarz. . . . Lew Lyman and Joe Reneau went blueberrying in Douglas woods a few weeks ago. It took them five hours to find their way out but they were five and a half miles from where their cars were parked. Take a compass or a guide next time fellows.

During vacation Guido Giromini, Roll Job, and his daughters Barbara and Marilyn sailed to Nantasket

Herman Bumo, Personality-of-the-Month, has as his hobby music and sings at entertainments

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

Personality of the Month: Herman Buma was born in Whitinsville March 13, 1911. He attended Northbridge public schools through Junior High and then he attended and graduated from Worcester Boys' Trade High School where he learned cabinetmaking. He worked for six months at Richardson's Piano Case Company in Leominster and a year and a half at Pano-wood Carving Company in Providence. He began at Whitin in 1929 under Frank Willis on the Wood Pattern Job. At this time he took a course in pattern making, nights, at Worcester Boys' Trade School. Herman married Hazel Broadhurst in 1935. They have three children—one boy and two girls. They now live in Uxbridge where he conducts the Buma Funeral Home. He is superintendent of the Sunday School of the Whitinsville United Presbyterian Church. His main hobby is music. He has studied voice under several teachers for a period of 12 years. He sings at weddings, funerals, and local entertainments. At one time he was a member of the Whitin Imperial Male Glee Club and more recently of the present Whitin Male Glee Club. He is no longer affiliated with any musical organization. He has played baseball and basketball with the Blackstone Valley League and the Whitin Community Association respectively. He now confines his sports to an occasional game of golf.

Congratulations are in order! First, Lawrence Gilmore was presented his 30-year Service Pin. Second, Alden "Bill" Allen and Florence Bileau celebrate birthdays in September. Third, we have three wedding anniversaries this month, namely, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gonynor and Mr. and Mrs. John Vanderzee. The last mentioned couple will have been married 45 years September 30. . . . Mr. and Mrs. James Scott paid a visit to John Vanderzee during their vacation from Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Scott is a former member of this department and he sent his regards to the boys on the job. He keeps in touch with things back home by reading the SPINDLE. . . . Another former member paid us a short visit while on leave from the Navy, John Dominick. It was

pleasant to see John again. . . . Eddie Plante sent a card to the boys on the job, informing them that he is now in the Medical Corps. He is stationed at Camp Pickett, Virginia.

ROLL AND BRUSH JOB

by Louise Sohigian

The month of August was an outstanding month for years of service in the Shop. The following were presented their Service Pins: Fred Tebeau, 30 years; Sam Gagne and Edward Ledoux, 20 years; Mary Doldoorian, 10 years; Dimetrie Pristawa and Albert Dix, five years.

On July 27, a weenie roast was held at Hannah Frieswyk's camp at Laurel Lake. Motorboating was enjoyed. Many thanks to Hannah and Ann Mantell for the good time. . . . We were surprised and pleased last month when we were paid a visit by Bill Smith, better known as Red. A former employee, he is now working in Florida and making out very well. . . . Blueberry picking season has its troubles. We understand Hannah Frieswyk got stuck in the mud with a pail full. . . . Gladys Hickey, our time clerk, has been transferred to the Box Job. We were sorry to see her go. She has been with us for 11 years. We welcome Dick Bailey who is taking her place. . . . On Monday, August 10, three cars from Department 451, left at 6:30 to attend the Shriner's Circus at Narragansett Park. After following Mickey Deane's and Harold Johnson's "short-cuts" we arrived at the Park at 9:00 p.m. A two and one-half hour ride which usually takes one hour the long way. To make matters worse, when we arrived at the Park we had to pay 90 cents for two hot dogs. However, we all had a good time. . . . Birthday candles were lit in August for Kitty Baghdasarian and Joe Janczyk. . . . Sorry to hear Bill Prior is out on sick leave. Hope you are well and back with us real soon, Bill.

COMBER JOB

by Terry Merolli

Our former reporter, Harold Leoncini, left recently to make California his home, so I am to be your new reporter.

Simon Chiras, Small Planers, began work here in July, 1901, and retired on August 7, 1953

Carl Bosma, Tin Cylinder Personality and Assistant Foreman, is now a 20-year man

We welcome several new men to the department: W. Surowiec from 420, P. Osyf and M. Perkins from 427, A. Kieronski and T. Podles from 449, E. Valenti from 421, J. Hoyle and W. Blanchette from 426, and R. Lariviere, recently discharged from the Air Corps. . . . Welcome back to Joe Majeau after his recent illness. . . . We are glad to hear that Ken Hudson is improving after his operation. Hurry back Ken, we all miss you.

Our planner, Lou Cassista, reports that his new fireplace is nearly completed and should be ready for a weinie roast soon. . . . All our Red Sox fans are wearing sunny smiles these days. Could the reason be that Ted Williams is back hitting those famous home runs? . . . Our current golf fans, George Audio and Archie Fournier, report that the sport is terrific even though their scores are not. . . . From all reports the vacation period was enjoyed by all. Norman Stanley and family visited Maine; Hector Chase, Mike Baino and families, Canada; Bob Hopkins and family, New Hampshire; Mr. and Mrs. H. Kooistra, New York; Bill Ryan, Cape Cod; Joe Swiazez, Vermont; Archie Fournier and family, Lake George; Dick Felson, Connecticut; and the rest of us took various day trips around New England. From everyone came the same refrain "Wouldn't it be nice to have another week!" Guess we'll have to wait until next year.

Birthday greetings go to Bill Ryan, Norman Stanley, E. Valenti, A. Haagsma and J. Hoyle. . . . Wedding anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Hector Chase on their 20th; to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Laviemodiere on their 10th; and to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Graves on their second.

ROVING SMALL PARTS AND ROVING ERECTING

by Mary Hugley

Mr. and Mrs. George Durant gave a birthday party for their daughter Linda on August 8. One of the highlights of the party was the pony rides. . . . We welcome Francis Lockwood back from Department 421. . . . Also Phil Beauregard who returned after being on sick leave for a few weeks. . . . We wish Joseph Defoe a quick return back. He is now on sick leave. . . . Arthur Shevchenko, who recently bought an outboard motor, took the girls from the office for a cruise on the lake. A good time was had by everyone. . . . Sorry to lose Milton Perkins and Peter Osyf. They have gone to Department 424. Good luck boys on the new job.

TIN CYLINDER JOB

by Wilbur Baird

Personality of the Month: Carl Bosma, Assistant Foreman in this department, has now joined the ranks of the 20-year men. On August 14, Mr. J. Cunningham and Mr. D. Sangster made a special visit to this department to present Carl with a 20-year Service Pin. Carl was born in Uxbridge, and attended the local schools. He started working for the Whitin Machine Works on August 5, 1933, in the Foundry Office, then in the Core Room. He was then called for service in the U. S. Navy. On discharge, Carl started working in Department 439, then transferred to Department 450, where he has been employed ever since. Carl married the former Pauline VanderBrug. They have two sons. Carl's hobbies are gardening (especially the cultivation of flowers), bowling and fishing.

Larry Volpe, Jr., a former employee of this department has recently started the "Volpe Ambulance and Oxygen Service." Local and long distance, 24-hour dependable service. Larry is located at 48 Gordon Street, Framingham. We wish him success in his new work which is additional to his work as a mortician. His father, Larry Volpe, is also a mortician. Larry, Sr., still works in this department. . . . Andy Ballentine has been out sick for several weeks, but is now much improved, and hopes to be able to return to work very soon. . . . September birthday greetings to Larry Volpe. . . . Carl Hendrickson has a beautiful tan this summer. . . . Red Jones has started to build himself a new home in Uxbridge. . . . Ted Sweeney, fireman at the Linwood Mill, spent his vacation with his family on Cade Cod. Most of his time was occupied by deep-sea fishing. . . . George Columbia, fireman on the third shift at the Linwood Mill, spent his vacation with his family at Pond Hill Road. Some of his time was spent fishing.

George Hanno, Small Planers, began work here in January, 1896, and retired August 7, 1953

Joseph Bernard, Spindle Job Personality-of-the-Month, was born in Armagh, Canada

SPINDLE JOB

by Edward Bates

Personality: Joseph Bernard, who was born in Armagh, Canada, came to the United States in 1927, and became a naturalized citizen in 1940. Joe's first work in the States was at the Linwood Mill. He later worked at the Uxbridge Worsted Company in Uxbridge. He started here at the Whitin Machine Works during September, 1929. Joe owns his home on Hartford Avenue, North Uxbridge, is married and has seven children. Lucian, a son, was in the U. S. Navy for two years during World War II. Joseph also has a daughter in the WAC in Texas. He is a Red Sox fan who enjoys watching TV in his leisure time.

Andrew Trasavage retired on July 29 after serving this company since February, 1906. . . . Robert Swan was in the hospital but is expected to be back by the time this issue comes out. . . . Unwelcome visitors have arrived at Eva Barnes' new home on Northbridge Hill. A family of skunks have taken up residence in the cellar and the neighbor's cow finds Eva's flowerbed of dahlias tasty. . . . George Hamm took his wife to St. Vincent's Hospital for an operation. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery. . . . Joseph Peltier returned to work in July after a leave of absence and Joseph St. Laurent also returned on August 3. . . . Victor Gervais has moved into his new home on Pout Pond Road, Uxbridge. . . . Sakki Visbeck has moved to East Street, Whitinsville, after spending 28 years on "B" Street, New Village. . . . George Mellor had to have some assistance when he backed his car over an embankment at Point Breeze, Webster. He was pleased to find a tree in the way had prevented more damage.

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

Vacation News: The families of George Sesona and Margaret Fallon were seen on the Cape. . . . Jeff Powers bought a '49 Olds and went to New Jersey and Philadelphia. . . . Walter Turpak visited relatives in Pennsylvania and New York.

Night Shift Vacation News: Aime Trottier and Henry Gauthier went to Canada. . . . Wilbur Desjardin enjoyed Rocky Point. . . . Lawrence Duhamel and John Gjeltema went deep-sea fishing off Rockport. They boated 1,500 pounds of pollock in two days.

Ray Blizard, our repairman, took his vacation in August and went to the Gaspé Peninsula. . . . We are sorry that Walter Lemeshevsky has left us, but we wish him well in his new venture. . . . Harold Flinton went to a reunion of his old outfit, the 568th Auto. Weapons, at Philadelphia. . . . Michael Swiseyz and Mrs. Swiseyz celebrated their 14th wedding anniversary with a trip to the Howe Caverns in New York. . . . Phil Brochu was presented his 20-year Service Pin. . . . Severin Houle, who retired during vacation after 12 years' service in the Shop, was sent a gift of a sweater, shirts, socks, tie, and belt. Though we were unable to make the presentation in person we wish "Bobby" to know that our sincerest wishes for good luck go with him.

Jim Danbney, an electrician, took Bob Cochrane, Leo Bouley, Bill Griffith and L. Harding on a fishing trip. Leo Bouley kept pulling on Bob Cochrane's line so Bob thought he was getting lots of bites. After watching the boys roll with laughter over the joke Bob finally told them he knew they were responsible all the time. . . . Bill Griffith lost the pin in his motorboat's propeller shaft on Pascoag Lake and had to wait to be towed in by a passing boat. . . . Dominic O'Gara has followed the Milford American Legion Team everywhere they have played. He hopes to be able to root them to a trip to Florida. . . . Our own softball club lost in a playoff game and wound up the season with a .500 mark for all the games played. They hope to do better next year.

CORE ROOM

by Francis Shugrue

John Kurowski has purchased a home in North Uxbridge on Hartfor Avenue. It looks like we will have a housewarming in the near future. . . . Edgar Parent had a sad ending to his vacation. He had an accident nine miles from the Canadian border, with considerable damage done to his car.

Bizar Hagopian, Department 438, and Louise O'Connell, Department 420, shown with friends at Canadian Falls during their July vacation

Jennie Chosta, Spindle Job inspector for the past 12 years, enjoys dancing and all sports

. . . Jeff Oliver spent a month in California visiting with his daughter and two sons who now make their homes in that State. . . . Joe Lucier has two hobbies now. Tropical fish and plumbing. Any connection, Joe? . . . Omer Parent has moved up into a higher-priced bracket. He is now sporting a new DeSoto. . . . Varky Asadoorian, Eddie Nejadlik, and Omer Parent spent a profitable vacation. These three are now house painters. . . . Jim Benjamin is a much happier person these days, since his wife is back on the road to recovery after a series of serious operations. . . . Vaughn Harding is driving a new Nash Rambler, a real knockout. One cannot help thinking that the boathouse business must be good. Oh, well, the rich get richer, and the poor get poorer. . . . Everybody in the Core Room is wondering if and when our genial bachelor, Larry Maloney, will weaken!

Roger Scott visited in Hyannis for several days to get what he said was "a mental rest from the Core Room." The tourist home he stayed at was near a filling station. Everytime the lift in the grease pit let a car down the noise of the escaping air reminded him so much of the air machines in the Core Room that he almost started for home before his time was up. . . . Vaughn Harding, Henry Baker, and John Kurowski received their 20-year service pins. Ronald Emery and George Steiner received their ten-year pins. John Sharkey received a five-year pin.

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREWS

by Bill Scanlon

Ernest Prunier, bricklayer, and his helper, Arthur Latourewelle, have been catching the big ones at Hyannisport. . . . Erle Simmons, while on vacation at Lake Winnepesaukee, made the headlines when he helped to put out a forest fire in that area. His training on the Whitinsville Fire Department came in handy. . . . Chester Roaf returned from his vacation looking in the pink. He visited the White Mountains, Mt. Holyoke, and Buttonwoods, Rhode Island. . . . Aldege Guilbert is the new man on the Garage force. He was formerly with the Freight House.

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

Roy Lermond and a few friends went blueberrying early one Saturday morning. Their pails full, they started back for their car at 11 a.m. It was 5 p.m. when they emerged from the woods. Meanwhile Mrs. Lermond and another man's wife, worried by their delay in returning, entered the berry patch in search of Roy and associates. When the exhausted men finally staggered back to the car they found that it was necessary to search for the women. . . . Fred Rondeau, Leon Simmons, and Roland "Humphrey" Fontaine want it known that they went blueberrying, picked nine quarts each, and did not get lost. . . . Fred Kollett, jig maker, spent his two weeks' vacation at Truro on Cape Cod. He returned home a few days early in order to be rested for work on Monday, went to the beach with his son-in-law on Sunday, sunburned, and was unable to work on Monday. Tuesday he reported for work but his agony was so great that he was forced to remain away from work for the remainder of the week. . . . "Big Jim" Malcus, baseball-football-basketball official, claims that a ball player never strikes out because he is a poor batter. He strikes out because the umpire is a poor umpire (ask any out-on-strikes ball player). Jim vacationed in the Catskills. . . . Hertsen Heerdt gave his wife an electric sewing machine as a birthday present. Now the question is, "How long before he makes her take in sewing?" . . . Tuesday, August 4, was a big day for six of the men on the Tool Job, for on that day Assistant Foreman Tom Postma received his 30-year pin, James Murphy his 25-year pin, and Jack Conlon, Ed Baker and Howard Walker their 20-year pins. . . . George Moran, who recently acquired a taste for peaches, likes them so well that he recently offered one fellow a dime for one. Peaches are certainly expensive. . . . Julius Viertra, an authority on flowers, enjoys bringing in and talking about specimens. His latest was a passion flower which he picked from a vine near his home. . . . Ed Postma looks pretty sharp riding around town in his new Chevrolet. It must be nice to have money.

This picture was taken during a television show advertising a horse show. If we didn't know Aldor Heraux, truck driver in 407, we'd think he was a "real cowboy" Steven Hoyle, on the left, is the owner of this three-week-old Shetland pony

GEAR JOB

by Irene Kalvinek

The Gear Job baseball club saw its last game July 7 at Fenway Park between the Red Sox and the Cleveland Indians. This baseball club has seen many exciting games throughout the season and a good time has been had by all of its members. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Alfred Matte, treasurer of the club, and Bernard Howard who journeyed to Boston to procure the tickets. . . . Clarence Brouilliard, one of our lathe hands, would like the fishermen of Picnic Point to be alert for a fishing pole that belongs to him. It seems that while he was casting, his fishing pole got away from him. To top it all off he broke the string that was attached to his motor on his boat and had to paddle his boat to shore. . . . Mr. John Cunningham, with the assistance of Mr. Jacob DeJong, presented 20-year service pins to George Holt, Floris Ebbeling, and Arthur Christien. We of the Gear Job extend our congratulations. . . . Congratulations to Mrs. Beatrice Gervais and husband who are celebrating their eighth wedding anniversary in their newly built home at West River Road, Uxbridge. . . . Mrs. Bernice Kroll has returned to the Gear Job after a visit with her daughter and son-in-law in Honolulu.

Our gear stamper, Rene Lavallee, the proud owner of a new driver's license and a new automobile, had a slight accident the other day. Rene wanted to have his car greased, so he took it to a local garage where he misunderstood the garage attendant. Rene drove his car into the grease pit instead of over it. Fortunately there was no damage to the car or Mr. Lavallee. . . . Happy birthday for the month of August to: Louise O'Connell, Carl Rein, Hector Gauthier, Floris Ebbeling, and Alfred Marceau. For the month of September, happy birthday to: Leo Laverdiere, Frank Stempkowski, Emile Roy, and Ernest Lambert.

GENERAL MACHINING

by James Magowan and Ken Harrington

Fred Robertson found golf an expensive game one Sunday. While playing with Stanley Ziemba, Ted Widor, and George Lennox, he slipped on the sixth green and broke his eyeglasses. . . . Douwe Fekkes, one of our drill hands, left for his homeland, Holland. He sailed August 17 on the "Amsterdam" out of Boston. . . . It has been said that Ray Girard is an ardent swimmer and a follower of boats. He was out in his outboard motorboat and, while making sharp turn, the boat threw him into the water. He was seen swimming after his driverless boat. . . . George Cartier was surprised by a birthday party celebrated at his home. . . . William Smith also celebrated a birthday this month. . . . Wedding anniversaries: Patsy DiGregorio, John Megerdichian, Tom Tycks, and Earl St. Pierre.

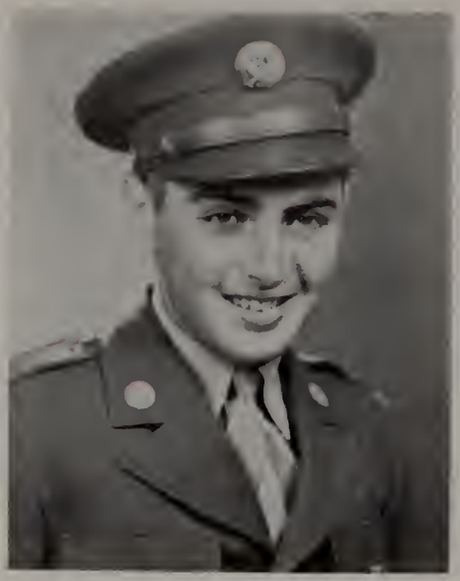
PLANT LAYOUT, MILLWRIGHTS, AND TRUCKING DEPARTMENTS

by Violet Cichonski

Andrew VanderSloot, elevator operator in Department 407, retired after 33 years of service at Whitins. He formerly worked in Department 418, in the Yard, and was with the Cleaning Department prior to becoming an elevator operator 16 years ago. He has been a conscientious worker and we wish him the best of luck in health and in his retirement. . . . Earle Hammond, foreman of 407, is thinking of taking on airplane insurance. He's been "buzzed" quite frequently by a Navy Corsair fighter plane piloted by his son-in-law Lt. Hartley, who is doing a tour of duty on the Carrier "Tarawa" stationed at Quonset Point. . . . Amede Roy of 407, who returned to work on August 17 after being out sick, relates he is "fit as a fiddle" and we are pleased to report that, judging from his appearance and actions, we are inclined to agree with him.

Belated birthday greetings to Louis Marguerite, Patrick Devaney, Armand Poulin, and Ken Richardson, supervisor on the night shift, of Department 407. . . . Current birthday greetings to Emil Roy, Francis Boucher, Andrew Cupka, and Toros Shaharian. . . . Carlos Browning of Plant Layout vacationed in August and spent two enjoyable weeks at the Cape despite the threatening hurricane which rampaged somewhat throughout the area. . . . Robert Brunelle of 458, who also vacationed in August, went outdoor camping at Franconia Notch in the White Mountains.

Mrs. Bernice Kroll, Gear Job, inspected a pineapple plantation while visiting her daughter in Honolulu



Arthur Leclaire, Milling Job Personality-of-the-Month, served with the Army in Europe for 18 months

MILLING JOB

by Marie VanderBaan

EDITOR'S NOTE: THE SPINDLE *Staff sincerely regrets that Mrs. VanderBaan will no longer be a correspondent. She deserves high praise for her faithful and conscientious reporting.*

With this issue of THE SPINDLE I say goodbye to all of you. It's been a pleasure to work with you and I've enjoyed being your reporter. I hope you'll cooperate with Arthur Leclaire as well as you did with me.

Our Personality for the Month is Arthur Leclaire, your new reporter. He was born in Grafton August 17, 1921. He graduated from the Upton schools. His first job was in the Upton Hat Shop after which he came to the Whitin Machine Works in 1941 where he has been on the Milling Job ever since. He is a supervisor in the backbar section and is well liked by everyone. Arthur was married August 29, 1942, and has a very nice family consisting of two sons and three daughters. He served in the Army from April 26, 1943, until November 9, 1945, of which time he spent 18 months in Europe. His hobbies are hunting, fishing, golfing, and softball. He is senior vice commander of the V.F.W. in Upton, treasurer of the Boy Scouts and a member of the Upton Police. We can be sure that anyone so active will make a good reporter. I hope he derives as much pleasure from reporting as I did.

Merrill True has remodeled a six-tenement block. On one end of the block he has added a living room across the front and a bedroom behind that. He has also added a combination screen and storm porch and painted the house yellow with white trim, and planted myriads of flowers around the front, side, and back of the house. . . . Twenty-year pins were presented to Clifford Mason, Thomas Daley, Merrill True, Everett Fessenden. Five-year pins went to Ernest Lemeir and Lawrence Moreau. . . . Birthday greetings this month to: John Bourgeois, Eugene Cortelessa, Rose Belanger and Margaret Gendron.

The softball team wishes to thank the Whitin Machine Works for the opportunity to play softball. The team had an enjoyable season. They didn't come out on top, but are confident that next season will be better than the past one. Next time Johnny McCaig brings his camera he'll have to keep it in hiding until our glamor boys Sutherland and Geno have had their play so they can keep their mind on the game. The boys were all good sports.

Cliff Mason had a birthday which was celebrated at the Camp with some of the employees. A good time was had by all. George Dawe's hat and shoes were nailed to the dock unbeknown to him.

CARD SMALL PARTS AND CYLINDERS

by Millie Turgeon

Let's start off by saying "so long," to the fellows that have left us through layoffs: Henry Courchesne, Leo Turcene, Eddie Baldyga and Russell Durand. Let's hope it won't be long before you will be back with us. We are sorry it had to be this way. . . . Stanley Lizak of Department 419 has also been laid off. Joe Guertin, also of 419, has been transferred to the Bolster Job. Fred Baarda has left to go to Michigan. Good luck fellows, sorry to see you leave. . . . John Bogie, Sr., was recently rushed to Memorial Hospital for an appendectomy. He was operated on and is now coming along fine. Our boss, Tommy Stevenson, stepped in to see him while he was in the hospital. Take it easy John and get well soon. . . . Fred Langlois, retired foreman of Department 444, dropped in on our job for a short visit. . . . Bob Stewart, Andy Baird, Tommy Stevenson, Henry Beaudoin, and Charlie Hoekstra attended a Red Sox-Cleveland game in August. They dined at the Kenmore and later saw the Red Sox defeat the Indians 4 to 2. . . . Wendell Piper of 419 and Johnny Sotek of 422 were each presented a 20-year service pin.

Leo Drainville, his wife and each of their folks went quahogging at Nausocket, Rhode Island. After digging a good batch, they steamed them over a charcoal fire right there. . . . Leo Roberts and family also enjoyed eating the quahogs which they dug in this same area. . . . Oscar Kurowski has been spending much of his spare time building a speed boat. He says he took Mondays off to work on it. (Yeah! so did the rest of the job take Mondays off.) It is 14 feet long and will have an outboard motor. It is just about completed. (Oscar if you can't catch 'em on a line you can mow 'em down with your speed boat.) . . . Lois Blakely, our timekeeper and her husband "Chick," of the Research Division, celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary August 12. Their daughter Nancy celebrated her 14th birthday about the same time. . . . Birthday greetings to those born in September: Eugene Kurowski on the 2nd; Lois Blakely on the 4th; and Titus Ebbeling on the 30th.

When Bouke DeLang left for a visit to Holland the Herman boys wished him "Bon Vayage"

Merrill True, Department 416, remodeled this six-tenement block. Merrill's son, Ralph, is in the picture

CHUCK JOB AND AUTOMATICS

by Dot Antoian

The layoff throughout the Shop has brought many changes in the department. George Boulev, Anna Benjamin, Margaret McCudden, Ovide Bernier, Arthur Houle, Oliver Dumas, Andre Remillard, James Larsen, and E. Larochelle are collecting their Unemployment Insurance. Walter Cuikaj and P. Patrie have been transferred to the night shift at 426; Edmond Plasse to the night shift at 418; Dick Zibell, Wood Pattern Loft; Henrietta Hoogendyk, Production Office; and Walter Bigos has left the Shop.

It's good to see Len Hinchcliffe and Art Handfield back on the job again. . . . This month's get-well wishes are extended to Ray Barlow who is at St. Vincent's Hospital. . . . Cecil Small, of No. 24 Crib, was recently presented his 20-year service pin. . . . Rusty Malkasian's son, Paul, played baseball for the Braves of the Intermediate League, and Henry Koliss' son, John, played for the Phillies. Both these boys are good athletes, and you will probably hear more about them in local sports.

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

Personality of the month: John J. "Jack" Wile, supervisor of the Squeezer Unit, was born in Boston, Mass., on July 8, 1897. He received his education in the Boston schools and served his apprenticeship with Gibby's Iron Foundry. Besides Whitins, where he has been employed for the past 19 years, Mr. Wile has worked at the Mill-

Jahn Wile, Faundry Persanality-af-the-Manth, has been a Whitin warker far 19 years and was recently appainted supervisar af the squeezer unit

bury Steel Foundry, Empire Steel Foundry, and William Duncan Foundry. On August 6, 1923, he was married to Rosanna M. Lapierre of Millbury. The couple own their home on Millbury Avenue, Millbury. Jack enjoys boating and fishing.

Michael Ovian, a 34-year Foundry employee, retired on July 31. Mr. Raymon F. Meader presented him with a $50 check, the gift of his fellow workers. Mike, who was born in Azorum, Turkey, in July, 1885, arrived in the United States in 1913 and began work on the charging floor in 1919. Mr. and Mrs. Ovian, the former Barbara Nazamum, own their home at 35 Piedmont Street, Whitinsville. Mike is a masterful pinochle player. We wish him good luck and the best of everything in his retirement.

Scoutmaster Robert C. Walker and Assistant Scoutmaster Albert O. Cummings took Troop 155, Boy Scouts, to Treasure Valley for a week, sponsored by the United Presbyterian Church, Whitinsville. The boys who went with Bob and Al are Kenneth Arakelian, Peter Auakian, Thomas Bakker, Burto Baird, Paul Buma, Terrence Cummings, Richard Garabedian, Stephen Hughes, Wayne Jellesma, James McRoberts, David Piper, John Walker, Robert Waters, Ralph Wood, Richard Wright, and Kenneth Young. The weather was fine and the food must have been good—Al gained five pounds and Bob hasn't dared to weigh himself since his return. Transportation was furnished by Vark's Cleaners. Bob and Al are grateful that the management of the Whitin Machine Works permitted them the week away from work. Both insist that it was not a vacation, although they enjoyed their task.

The third annual supervision clambake was held on August 1 at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hanson on Hog Island, R. I. The cooking of Mrs. Hanson and Joe Checchi still has the fellows raving, for the food was excellent and the beverage cold. Jerry Markhard got lost on the way to Bristol. When he did arrive at the Bristol Pier the ferry had left. Jerry, not one to give up easily, talked a young sea captain, age six years, into ferrying him over in a small boat with a man-sized motor. When they reached the middle of the bay the engine failed. Using oars, Jerry sweated and strained until, upon his arrival at Hog Island, he was greeted by mighty cheers.

Congratulations to Gerard Lacour upon completing his Foundry Apprenticeship and receiving his diploma from Mr. J. Hugh Bolton. . . . Jerry Rutherford has left us to farm in Montpelier, Vt. We hope that he and his family are fortunate in this enterprise. . . . The Herman boys got together to wish Bouke DeLang bon voyage when he left for Friesland, Holland. He sailed on August 18 on board the S.S. "Amsterdam" for a three-months' visit with relatives. . . . Rene "Leo" Moyen left us after six years in the Foundry to take a job as guard at the Rhode Island State Prison in Cranston. . . . We hope that by the time this is published Charles Randall will be recovered from his illness. . . . Stuart and Renee White went to the fourth annual reunion of the U.S.S. "Barie" at Bay View Beach, near Wilmington, Delaware. Stuart met many of his former shipmates. . . . Tip for blueberry pickers: We have a man on the large Herman that has found the solution to the problem of getting lost. He carries a compass and a police whistle at all times. . . . It's nice to see Bill Harris fully recovered from his illness. . . . Joseph Burchee went deep-sea fishing at Plymouth. He brought up a cod ready dressed. . . . We hope that Nick Carter, who underwent surgery, will be back with us by the time this appears.

Waving the Stars and Bars af the Canfederacy is the daughter of Gerard Brauillette, Faundry. Gerard is shawn with his daughter in Tennessee

Vacation notes: Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Brouillette went to Tennessee where they visited the atomic energy plant at Oak Ridge. They traveled through the Blue Ridge Mountains by way of the Sky Line Drive and visited Youngstown, Ohio. . . . Armand Gagne and family spent a few days at Point Judith. Armand claims the quahogs were excellent. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lortie visited St. Ann de Beaupre and the city of Quebec. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Rosaire Baril spent a week at Amagh, Canada, and visited St. Ann de Beaupre. . . . George Gauthier and family were at Onset Bay, Cape Cod, where they lived in a large trailer. George reports the swimming and fishing were fine. . . . Joe Checchi tanned at Surf Side Road, North Scituate. . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Wile vacationed at Old Orchard Beach. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sweeney enjoyed a cold trip to Nova Scotia. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Joe Deneault visited Miami, Florida, with Omer Laroche and daughter. They traveled through the Blue Ridge Mountains via the Sky Line Drive, visited Joe's sister,

When Michael Ovian, wha has warked in the Faundry since 1919, retired an July 31, he received a purse fram his fellaw warkers. Mr. Rayman Meader made the presentatian. Mike, wha was born in Turkey, came to the United States in 1913, and started with Whitin in 1919. Photo by caurtesy of Gerard Brouillette

Mother Deneault, at Ashville College, North Carolina, and traveled over 4000 miles.

Monthly Retirement Fund Committee Report: Balance from last month: $87.30; August collection—$62.39; Total—$149.69. Expenditures: $50.00; Balance $99.69. New permanent members of the committee are Richard Lachapelle and George Morande.

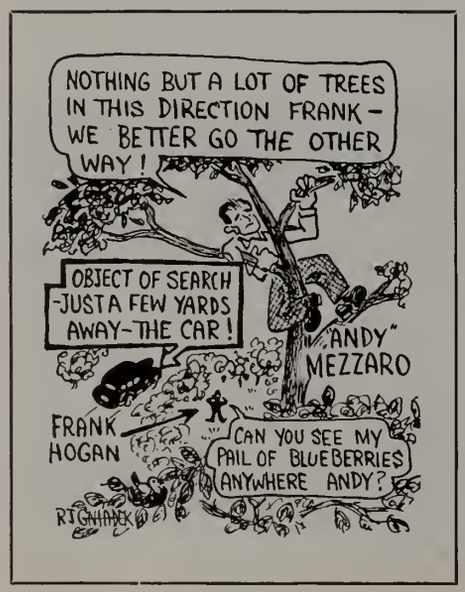
PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Tad Wallace and Dorsey Devlin

With the blueberry season in full swing many stories are popping up about the escapades of certain individuals. Andy Mezzaro and Frank Hogan went berrying one evening in a well-stocked berry patch. After Frank had filled his pail he shouted for Andy—and there was no answer. Frank put his pail down and searched for Andy, found the lost one, and then both searched for the now-lost pail. They found the pail—then Frank, Andy, and the pail were lost. Andy climbed a tree—and all he could see was more trees. As darkness settled, our heroes, calling on almost-forgotten Boy Scout lore, laden with berries, bravely facing unsurmountable odds, fought their way through a hundred feet of brush to the road and car.

The younger generation need not fear that it will be hard to replace Hopalong Cassidy—not with Fred Chaffee around. Freddie Senior went to Bill Malley's Riding Academy for the purpose of picking up Freddie Junior. At the academy he joined in a conversation with the owner and with a lady who wished to ride a certain horse. To save her Freddie Senior mounted the steed. "Hopalong" Freddie and his charger took off until they came to a wall where the horse parked. Moments later Freddie Senior was rescued by Freddie Junior.

Wonder if Walter Komonicki has Jack Webb in on "the case of the broken caddy wagon." . . . Red Adams discovered that, without a compass, it's a good walk through the Douglas woods from Coffee House Crossing to the Wallum Lake parking area. . . .



A triple shower was held on August 6 for Irene Woleck, Peggy Spratt, and Marilyn Nuttall

Congratulations to Curries Cuties for winning the regular scheduled season and the championship of the Women's Softball League. Much credit should go to Jean Labonte, for her pitching and hitting helped keep the Cuties on the top. . . . Members of our department dug some of their baseball memories out of the mothballs to rally for the Ronnie Stone benefit. Some were Jack Ratcliffe, Norman Girard, Dorsey Devlin, and Bill "Hickey" Healey who entertained with his famous Al Schaet Act. . . . Congratulations to Jackie Ratcliffe whose Braves brought home the pennant in the Northbridge Little League. He was also one of the All-Star pilots who took the team into the third-round playoffs. . . . Congratulations also to Harold and Mrs. Whitehead who celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on September 3, and to Walter and Mrs. Gilchrist who celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on August 20.

On August 6 the Colonial Club was the scene of a triple shower for Irene Woleck, Peggy Spratt and Marilyn Nuttall. Marilyn, who was married on August 14, received a blanket, while Irene, whose wedding day will be September 26, and Peggy, who was married September 12, were given steam irons. Many of this popular trio's friends gathered at this gala affair to make it a "howling" success. We wish them much happiness in their respective futures.

This is a belated report, but the yeoman job that Ed Rice did during the critical period after the tornado disaster has been brought to our attention. Ed is a ham radio operator who assisted those who were in the need of help. We think that all too often the efforts of people like Ed go by without notice. For this reason we take this opportunity to thank Ed, for the duty he performed was well done.

MAIN OFFICE

by Elia Dell'Orco

Hello Peoples! Feel as if you're on a seesaw? Cheer up, I have only one month in which to howl. Mine will be this September Song while Gloria Marshall vacations at East Brewster on the Cape.

Unlike the proverbial spider who beckoned to the fly, I won't ask you to step into my parlor but rather into our "Citation Circle" where a few laurels are being given out. Congratulations to James Marshall for taking top honors for his garden in the annual Home Garden Club contest. The second vote of congratulations goes to Edna Bergquist's son Robert who was selected for honors at the transportation corps summer camp at Ft. Eustis, Va. This is doubly impressive when considering that Robert was one of 1,793 ROTC students and Edna tells us that those letters from the General were really great.

We have a "good-by" and a "hello" this month. Hello and a "glad to have you with us" to Anne Hammond, formerly of Production. We bade farewell to Olga Rutana and a parting gift was presented by Agnes Kalousdian. With it went all our best wishes. Both greetings were combined for Sally Mantashigian who spent a few weeks at home because of illness.

All in all, the Main Office group seems to be a "gallivanting" crew. If you don't agree now you will when you hear all the territory covered this vacation time. Eva O'Keefe visited Squam Lake in New Hampshire and she might very well have run into Leonard Baldwin, Jr. and Gordon Rankine who also "trekked up to that thar state." However, they tell me that the best part of Gordon's vacation was the time he spent at Fenway Park. Ah those Red Sox, or is it the Yankees? Well, C'est le baseball! Vernon Willard, not content with one spot, visited two, Maine and Cape Cod. Gene Kennedy spent his time at North Falmouth while Dick Conlee basked at Hampton Beach. Sara Healey and Chris Bosma graced the big city with their presence having visited New York. The above may have sounded like travel but George Kellstrand outdid them all—the Kellstrand itinerary read like a regular travelogue, taking in the Catskills, the Finger Lakes, Lake George, Lake Champlain, Vermont and then home.

Hear ye, hear ye! The Misses Gloria Frabotta and May Hutcheson are in the market these days for old tire tubes for use on their next trip to Sanford, Maine. The one they used a few week ends ago wasn't quite sturdy enough for both of them. And ooh, what would have happened if Virginia Burke had climbed aboard, too. Fortunately, *she* swims.

And now I take my leave as a September Symphony begins for the birthdays of Marge McCallum, Gordon Rankin and Shirley McClellan and the anniversaries of Norman MacIntyre, James Robertson, R. E. Lincoln, Bryant Nichols, Tom Crawford, Leonard Baldwin, Jr., Wayne Stinson, and Louis Chabot.

Beverly Bratt and Marie Lavallee were vacationers at the Allen "A" Resort, New Hampshire

METHODS DEPARTMENT

by Jean Cunningham

Jim Shaw has found that when you go blueberry picking you should take a compass to guide you out of the woods when you are ready to return home. Jim, with some friends of his, had to be rescued by their wives after being away from home from 5 a.m. until 3 p.m. . . . New cars are quite popular in this office this month. We have Mr. Larson with a Nash, Frank Budnick with a Nash, Bill Neulieb with a new Packard. They all use these cars as Sunday-go-to-meeting cars and they ride to work with someone else. . . . Joe Bouley went on a deep-sea fishing trip one week end not too long ago. He was standing with fish pole in hand when he thought an octopus was pulling him into the sea. With much ado and tiring effort he pulled it into the boat and was mighty glad to find a seed lobster at the end of his line. . . . Everyone in the office has decided that Al Coburn needs a change. While sitting on his steps at home he suddenly fell to the ground. We're glad he wasn't hurt. . . . Congratulations to Charlie Mateer who received his 30-year Service Pin and to Rene Thibault who received his 10-year Service Pin.

Belated birthday greetings to Mrs. Irene Barnett, who came to work with us from 406. We hope she enjoys her stay here. We want to extend greetings this month to Frank Budnick, Jack Lalor, Edward McNamee, Ed Reeves and Arno Wagner. We hope you have many more birthdays to enjoy. . . . Shirley Noble's husband is returning to Boston University to study for his master's degree in social work. . . . Congratulations to Jim Dundas and his wife on their wedding anniversary this month. . . . We hope that Lou Chapman is feeling better and will be back to work with us again soon. Lou has a wonderful sense of humor and we miss his cheerfulness around the office. . . . Carol McCrea evidently doesn't wake up until after breakfast. One morning recently she was enjoying what she thought was a doughnut but found out after it was eaten that it was a clamcake.

Mr. Edwin R. Dovis was appointed Staff Assistant to Mr. P. B. Walker, Maintenance Engineer, on June 23, 1953. He was the night superintendent

On August 3, 1953, Mr. J. H. Bolton, Jr. was made Monoger of the newly-created American System Division. He will report to the President

REPAIR SALES DEPARTMENT

by Joyce Rondeau

This month we welcome Arthur Shevchenko, formerly of Department 427, to our office. Good luck to him in his new job! Arthur is taking Charles Polucha's place in the Foreign Section. A stag party was held for Charlie at the Klondike Inn on August 18; from all reports the party was a success. Charlie, a former SPINDLE reporter, is leaving with his family for Los Angeles, California. We wish you lots of success with your new job. . . . Recently some of us viewed moving pictures of Irene Curtis' wedding, which took place in California. Irene was married in June to Robert Sloniker of California. They now reside in Martinez, California. . . . Beware all pedestrians! Alice DerTorosian is learning to drive! Alice is the proud owner of a Ford. Also riding around in a new Ford are Betty Valk and her husband Eddie of Department 454.

Mrs. Bernice Kroll recently returned from a month's vacation in Hawaii. Mrs. Kroll visited with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O'Neill, the former Alyce Kroll. From all reports, Alyce and Ralph like Hawaii very much. . . . Recently a group of the girls from the office held a picnic at Wallum Lake. Mrs. Ruth Walker catered. We all had a wonderful time, especially since we didn't have to try to keep the fire going! . . . We were all glad to hear that Lucille Buma was O.K. after an accident on Mendon Road. Lucille went off the road one rainy morning coming to work. . . . Congratulations go to the following recipients of Whitin service pins: 20-year pins to Dick Cunningham and Henry Thomas; 10-year pins to Betty Mombourquette, Edna L'Espearence, and Chet Walker; 5-year pins to Frances Von Flatern, Alice DerTorosian, and Joyce Rondeau. . . . A happy birthday goes to Anna May Carter!

COST DEPARTMENT

by Dick Hanny and Cleve Reynolds

We welcome Al Destrempes of Woonsocket, a former inspector, and Nick Pacella of Milford, a former time clerk. . . . Congratulations to Cal Hubbard who was named ninth most valuable member of the Worcester Chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants for his participation in chapter activities. . . . Gus Ayotte returns after a week at Camp Yawgoog as instructor at a Boy Scout camp. Except for tipping over a sailboat, Gus reports he and the boys really "lived." Little League and Boy Scout activities take up quite a lot of his time and effort. . . . To John Chatty goes the distinction of being our first employee to appear on TV. When "Portrait of Rhode Island," a program to inform the public of local industries, introduced Royal Robes Inc., Woonsocket's newest industry, to its Channel 10 audience on August 16, John, as program chairman, appeared on behalf of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. . . . Point Breeze, Webster, was the site of our department's clambake on August 29. To our committee consisting of Anna Wojtalik, John Shaw, Jim Shaw, and Frank Widor, go our many thanks for providing their fellow employees and guests an enjoyable day. . . . Several of our girls attended a shower August 27 for Mary McDonald at the Grist Mill, Seekonk. . . . To Joe Platukis goes Telix Richard's book on "How to Play Cribbage." . . . Anyone possessing a book or knowledge regarding "racoons," please see Ray Colby. . . . Turning to more serious thoughts, by the time this comes off the press, we sincerely hope Oscar Erickson will have returned to work after a long and serious illness.

Vacation Notes: Howard Anderson vacationed in the Blue Hills of Maine; Roscoe Knight was at Peak's Island and Portland, Maine; and Pauline and Leo Hagan were at Niagara Falls, Montreal, and Thousand Islands. . . . Congratulations to Ken Crossman, who received his 20-year pin, and to Gordon Curtis and Cal Hubbard who received their five-year service pins. . . . Wedding Anniversaries: Cal and Mrs. Hubbard, their 23rd; Al and Mrs. Destrempes, their sixth. . . . Birthday wishes to Anna Wojtalik, Helen Sitnik, and Florence LeBeau.

Mr. William Sprott was appointed Night Superintendent on June 23, 1953

MYSTERY PHOTO—Tom Stevensan, fareman, was the ane ta identify in August. The man an the right had this picture taken 53 years aga and it was 53 years aga that he began wark at the Whitin Machine Warks

PAYROLL COMPUTATION, TABULATING, BUDGETS, STATEMENTS AND OFFICE TIMEKEEPING

by Phyllis McQuilkin

Birthday wishes to Bob English, Margaret Crosby, Constance Deslauriers, Ted Froh, and John Shaw. . . . Happy wedding anniversaries to Mr. and Mrs. Edward McLaughlin, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Todd, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Lundberg, Mr. and Mrs. John Shaw. . . . Howard Cook, our tabulator, has replaced his Ford with a Buick. There's a man who knows how to play his (IBM) cards right! . . . Max Thompson, our Ben Hogan, showed excellent form on the golf course during the July Sales Meeting and won the prize for the third highest score of the day. . . . Merwin Brown has returned to work after a two weeks' vacation at the Cape. . . . A shower was given for Mary McDonald by the girls of Cost and Payroll. It was held at the Old Grist Mill, Seekonk. . . . A new addition to the Budget Department is Norman Deragon, previously a cost estimator. Mrs. Edith Allen is also a part-time addition to that department, she now keeps the wheels of the microfilming machine turning.

The Budget Department tried to convince us that when Ted (Isaak Walton) Froh was on one of his fishing trips with Tabulating's Bill Hall, a cat wearing rubber boots, sunglasses, and an "I Like Ike" button and carrying a shopping bag in one paw, waded out to their boat and helped them pull it ashore. Ted said he couldn't get excited about that but when the cat asked if he had any catfish and Ted said "no" the cat quickly grabbed the 18-inch (or was it 16-inch) bass lying in the bottom of the boat. Before Ted or Bill could prevent the CATastrophe—it ran off—boots, bag and all—into the woods! That's how Ted and Bill explain it anyway—but, we ask you—who has ever heard of a cat wearing rubber boots!

A group of our boys and girls went to Point Breeze at Webster Lake on Saturday, August 29. Lobster, turkey and of course clams were on the menu which made a very welcome change from Saturday's customary baked beans. After dinner there was swimming and games of various kinds. We are happy to report that no one developed ptomaine poisoning, fell into the water, got lost or stung by hornets. Everyone had a very enjoyable day. . . . We are glad to have Audrey Todd back with us again after her recent sojourn in the hospital.

The girls from the Wage Standard Office enjoyed an outing at Mrs. Brown's cottage at Lake Nipmuc—hamburgs, hot dogs, and Judy Civinini at the piano

WAGE STANDARDS

by John Romasco

Here we are in what is known in baseball as stretch month with autumn weather, World Series around the corner, and football practice in full swing. Any questions fellas as to who will win the American League pennant? . . . New arrivals to our organization: Anthony Mancini of Milford who has joined the Foundry Division and Jacob Oppewall. . . . Recital Hall: One morning recently Harold "Paderewski" Thayer thought he would like to serenade the neighbors. Promptly at six in the morning he went into a shed in the rear of his home, in which was stored a player piano, inserted a roll and the concert began. It was soon evident that the neighbors did not enjoy the early morning concert because various noises which were not pleasant to the ears caused the concert to be short lived. Try another hour Harold and they might enjoy it. . . . Belated birthday greetings to Barbara Swenson, Louis Smith, John Bloem, Charles Conaty, Edward LeClair, Herber Lindblom, Russell Lupien, Solomon Shuman and John Strachan. Celebrating birthdays in September are: Frank Martin, Ronald King, Ben Musket, Lynn Richardson, and Gerard Savage. . . . Yours truly and Mrs. Romasco celebrated their 13th wedding anniversary.

A surprise shower was held for Miss Jocelyn Taylor at the home of Mrs. Barbara Swenson of Millbury on August 19. A spaghetti and meatball supper was served by the girls of the department. Miss Taylor received a three-piece set of Revereware consisting of a 12-inch skillet, four-quart sauce pan, and an eight-cup percolator. A surprise gift to Mrs. Swenson was a 32-piece set of dinnerware. . . . Walter Skers spent a week end at the Cape fishing striper bass. Results: No stripers, lots of mosquito bites, one ocean perch, and a glorious red nose. . . . According to the Foundry office gang, Russ Lupien is just like Jack Benny—still 39 years old. . . . A daughter, Ann Lynn, was born to Mrs. Patricia McLaughlin, daughter of Mr. Lynn Richardson of Wage Standards.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

by Peggy Beaudreau

Penny Havener, Mike Sollecito, Roland Lejeune, Dick Ramsbotham, Al Jaskulka, Seb Kalousdian, Sam Piper, Jr., Phil O'Grady, Ernest Plante, Harold Miller, Arthur Wilson, Jim Orrell, and Ed Desjourdy attended a ten-minute birthday party for Penny Havener on July 24. Someone supplied a cake with 36 candles, even though Penny is younger than that. He received a mysterious birthday card from "The Gang" and he also had his nose greased by Jim Roddy. Joan Parker also celebrated her birthday on the same day. Jim also tried to grease Joan's nose but she scared him away. . . . A birthday was celebrated in August by Robert Crossland. . . . Anniversary greetings during the month of August were extended to: Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ramsbotham, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelious Visbeck, and Mr. and Mrs. George Briggs.

We had a surprise visit from an old friend and member of the Engineering Department. Charles Draheim paid us a short visit in July. Charlie seems in good spirits just as he was when he worked here. He is now employed in a furniture store in Franklin. . . . The men from the Spinning Section had an outing at Art Wilson's house on August 3. Robert Crossland, Lawrence Landry, Cornelious Visbeck, Stuart Visser, Joe Branigan and Arthur Wilson were present. They ate lots and lots of hot dogs and then pitched a good game of horseshoes. Larry Landry and Art were the champs of the Engineering Department and Art says they challenge anyone who would like to try and beat them. . . . Charlie Drummond and Mike Sollecito have recently moved from Rhode Island, and Peggy Beaudreau just moved to a different section of town.

Births

To John Vaughan, Guard Force, and Mrs. Vaughan, a son, Norman, weight 7 pounds, at Whitinsville Hospital on August 2.

To Arnold Patella of Department 427 and Mrs. Patella, a son, John, weighing 7 pounds and 4 ounces at Whitinsville Hospital, August 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Buxton, a son, pounds, born at Whitinsville Hospital, July 28.

A son born to Mrs. Alice Conway, of East Douglas, formerly a member of Wage Standards.

To Barbara Trilligan, formerly of Payroll Computation, a son, Steven, 6 pounds, born at St. Vincent's Hospital, Worcester, on June 20.

To Virginia LaPorte, a son, Bruce Paul, pounds 2 ounces, on August 2.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Garcelon, a son, Mark Davis, 9 pounds 2 ounces, June 7 at Whitinsville Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw, a daughter, Deborah Ann, weight 10 pounds, at Memorial Hospital, Worcester, on July 29.

To Thomas and Connie Cawley, a daughter, Karen, on June 22.

To Mr. and Mrs. Norman Proulx, Department 426, a daughter, Denise Marie, weight pounds 12 ounces, at the Woonsocket Hospital on August 17.

To Chester McQuilken, Department 411, and Mrs. McQuilken, a son, Wayne Maurice, on May 2.

To James Fisher, Department 413, and Mrs. Fisher, a son, James Richard, at Memorial Hospital, Worcester. Mrs. Fisher is the former Catherine Queenan of Whitinsville.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Spratt, a daughter, Sandra Lee, at the Memorial Hospital on July 10, weight 8 pounds 10 ounces. Mrs. Spratt worked in the Repair Sales Department.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gerald LaFleur, a daughter, Rebecca, weight 7 pounds 4 ounces, on July 24 at the Whitinsville Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bourden, a daughter, Chrycinda Ann, on August 2, at the Whitinsville Hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wright, a daughter, Robyn Georgia, on August 10.

To Arthur Bessette, Foundry and Mrs. Bessette, a daughter, Rosemary, at the Whitinsville Hospital on July 14. Mrs. Bessette is the former Beatrice Courteau of North Uxbridge.

To Harman Miedema, Apprentice in Department 454, and Mrs. Miedema, a daughter, Cynthia Jayne, weight 7 pounds 10 ounces, Whitinsville Hospital, August 16.

To Richard Peck, Apprentice in Department 454, and Mrs. Peck, a son, Richard, Jr., 6 pounds 12 ounces, Whitinsville Hospital, August 12.

To Robert Gonynor, Department 401, and Mrs. Gonynor, a son, Donald Paul, weight 9 pounds 14 ounces, at the Whitinsville Hospital, August 20.

To Edwin Kileline, Metal Patterns, and Mrs. Kileline, a daughter, Patrice Elizabeth, 8 pounds 1 ounce, at the Woonsocket Hospital, July 12.

To Stanley Swidiak, Metal Patterns, and Mrs. Swidiak, a son, Kenneth Charles, 8 pounds 1 ounce, at the Hahnemann Hospital, July 20.

MARRIAGES and ENGAGEMENTS

Eleanor Ebbeling of North Uxbridge, engaged to Mr. John Baca of East Douglas.

Richard Flinton, Department 432, was married to Dorothy Bouvier at Whitinsville Trinity Episcopal Church on September 5. They are residing in East Douglas.

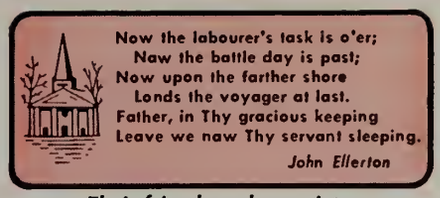
Miss Julia R. Lapenna of Weathersfield, Connecticut, engaged to Stanley Konvent of the Roll Job, on August 22.

Mr. and Mrs. John Farrar were married in Whitinsville on June 6. John works in Department 468

The engagement of Charlotte Lewandowski, Research Division, to A/1C Albert Emrick, Parks Air Force Base, California, was announced on July 2.

Norman St. Pierre and Lillian Lavallee were married in the Holy Family Church, Woonsocket, on June 27.

Raymond Stanovich, Department 401, was married to Bertille Warner in St. Peter's Cathedral, Erie, Pennsylvania, September 12.



Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Survivors of Artie M. Meader, 86, who died on August 7 in East Harwich. A native of Walden, Vermont, he was, prior to his retirement in 1941, a Whitin employee for about 50 years. He was foreman of the Carpenter Shop for 39 years.

Mrs. Youghaper (Sadician) Wokashian on the death of her husband Hagop (Jake) Wokashian, 58, who died at their home at 87 Church Street on July 30. A native of Armenia and for 40 years a resident of Whitinsville, he was a Whitin employee until his retirement 20 years ago.

Margaret J. Ferguson on the death of her brother, George S. Ferguson, 78, of 36 High Street who passed away at the Whitinsville Hospital on July 25.

Clinton Babson on the death of Mrs. Babson in July.

Alphonse Parisean on the death of his father in August.

Survivors of Fred Tattersall, 72, who died at St. Vincent's Hospital, Worcester, on August 14. He was born in Burry, Lancashire, England, and had resided in Whitinsville for 33 years.

Survivors of Jeremiah Haggerty, 83, who died at his home at 14 Crescent Street on August 14. His 66 years as a coremaker at the Whitin Machine Works is one of the longest continuous service records ever achieved at this company.

Betty and James Graham on the death of their father.

Margaret, Frances, and Walter Guertin on the death of Philleas Guertin, who died suddenly the morning of August 17.

Alfred Demars, of the Traffic Department and Mrs. Demars on the recent death of their daughter.

George Vacher, Department 432, whose mother passed away August 6, in Blackstone.

Pat DeBellis, Department 432, upon the death of his grandmother, Mrs. Maria Mariano, in Providence.

Family and friends of Hollis Sargent, Engineering Department, who died suddenly.

Harry Daly on the death of his father and mother who lost their lives in the disastrous tornado.

Survivors of Arthur Langlois, Foundry, who died of a heart attack on August 3.

Survivors of Albert Bileau whose son Donat Bileau works in Department 401.

Gerrit Dykstra on the recent death of his father, Joseph Dykstra.

THE CHANCES SOME PEOPLE TAKE!

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THE WHITIN Spindle

October 1953

A Timely Word from Our President

On Tuesday, September 22nd, I called a meeting of a group of Whitin Machine Works' executives in order to outline to them the current state of our business. I feel that at this time the same information which I presented to them should be given also to you.

It will come as no surprise to you that our building schedules for new machinery are at the lowest point since even before World War II. Since the close of the war we have had our ups and downs, to be sure, but we have had a relatively high average of production. Now, however, our backlog is gone and, when current orders are run out, there will be real gaps in our building schedules.

We have succeeded in getting some Defense contracts which offered us practically no profit. Nevertheless, in order to occupy our facilities and keep the shop running, we are making every effort to obtain additional work of this type.

We need additional business at once, but our customers, the textile mills, are not showing a strong inclination to purchase new machinery. Their business is very spotty, and even those who have been running very well report that their profits have been the lowest in many years. Because our customers lack the money or the desire to buy new machinery, we are going to have to do everything possible to economize and to cut corners until such time as business takes a turn for the better.

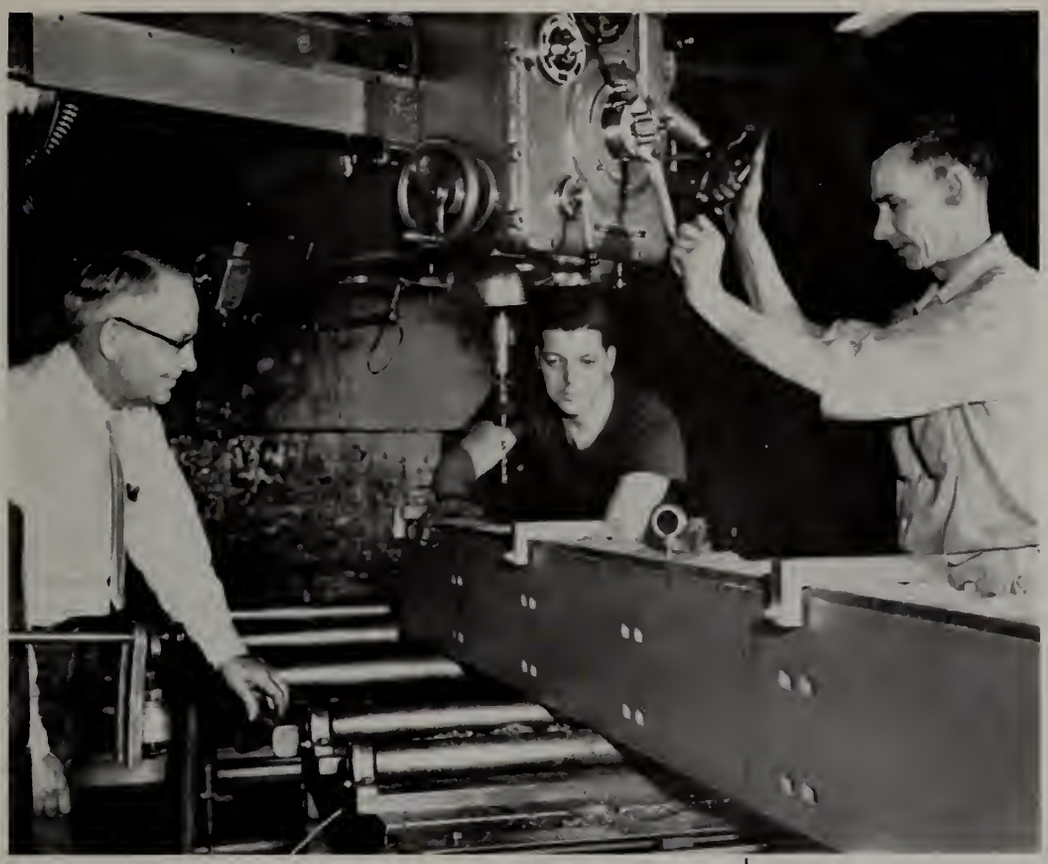
We have gone through times like these before in the Whitin Machine Works and we have always bounced back. I am thoroughly satisfied that this will happen again, so I am not overly pessimistic. Yet, I would be less than honest if I did not tell you that the picture, as of now, is not bright.

In times like these it is especially important that everyone co-operate to insure efficient and economical operation. I have asked our executives and I am asking you to do your utmost to help achieve these goals.

October 2, 1953

J. Hugh Bolton

President



The 700-pound camber table is the backbone of the Model "J," and the careful precision with which it is drilled ond tapped contributes to the quality of this precision-built Whitin machine. From the left: Foreman Henry A. Kooistra checks on work progress while William A. Blanchette and Alexander Kieronski operate a large rodial drill

Proud of Their Products

Like a team of perfectly matched horses, the Comber Small Parts Department and Comber Erection pull well in double harness. Located in adjacent areas, one department makes the parts while the other does the erecting. This month the department article concerns Comber Small Parts; next month it will deal with Comber Erection.

Headed by Foreman Henry A. Kooistra and Assistant Foreman Robert H. Hopkins, about 30 men do the machining operations on parts for the Model "J" Comber and Roto-Drafter. They also do a limited amount of work for Roving Machines, Knitting Machines, and Card Grinders. The men on the job take great pride in their work. In the precision construction of the Model "J," they are ever on the alert for any deviation from the exacting tolerances which on some parts are as close as .001 inch.

Because of the wide variety of parts made, weighing from 700 pounds down to ounces, and the over 25 subassemblies put together in Department 424, the men of this job are an adaptable lot. Many of them are equally skilled on several tasks, making it possible for them to shift as the flow of work demands. The job operates without any supervisors other than the Foreman and Assistant Foreman.

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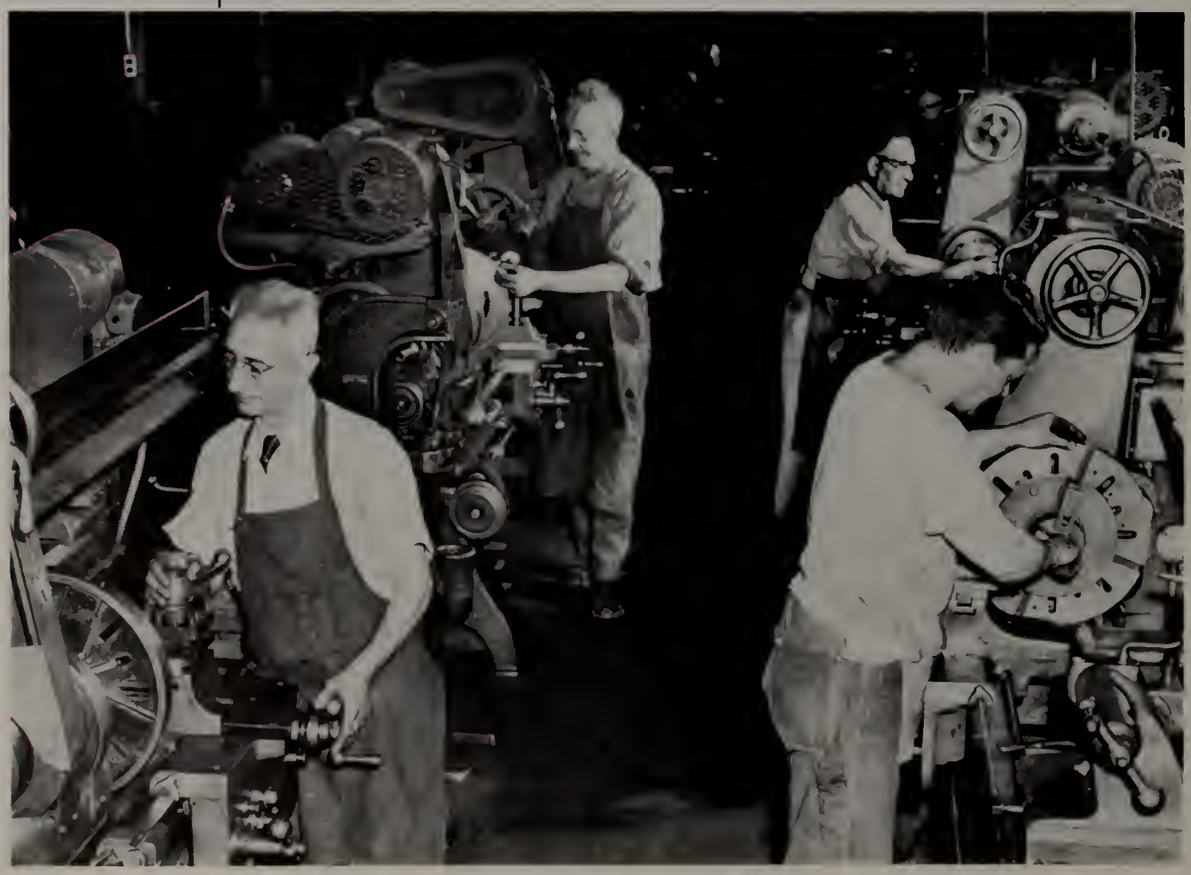
Assistant Foreman Robert Hopkins supervises the busy drill section. From the left: Carl Froding, Assistant Foreman Robert Hopkins, Peter Osyf, Patrick Kelly and Joseph Zwiszcz

Proud of Their Products *(continued)*

These skilled workmen in the lathe section are turning index gears, rachet gears, and boring head end detaching rall bearings. Fram the left: Stephen Machoian, Arthur Haagsma, Raymond Valente and Walter T. Surowiec



Drill Section

The nature of the work demands the drilling of many close-tolerance, precisely-located holes. In the drill section are seven multiple-spindle upright drills and a number of small drills. Most of the drilling is done by Joseph Majeau, Peter Osyf, Joseph Zwiszcz, William Blanchette, Andrew Hoekstra, and Carl Froding.

Lathes

Well organized and operated by skilled workmen, the lathe section contains regular lathes, speed lathes, and long lathes. On the regular lathes the trained hands of Stephen Machoian, Walter Surowiec, Raymond Valente, and Arthur Haagsma are capable of turning out myriads of parts. Using the speed lathe, Patrick Kelly brings certain rolls to a high polish. On the long lathes John Solina and Franklin Greene turn the long detaching rolls.

Specialized Operations

Girts, sampsons, and other heavy parts are drilled on huge Hole Wizard radial drills operated by Milton Perkins and Alexander Kieronski. The fluting of detaching rolls is handled by Mitchell Kroll. Kenneth Hudson and William Ryan do keysitting on two Taylor and Fenn double keyway machines. The splining on a large milling machine is often done by Michael Zylstra. Michele Baiano straightens rolls.

Inspection

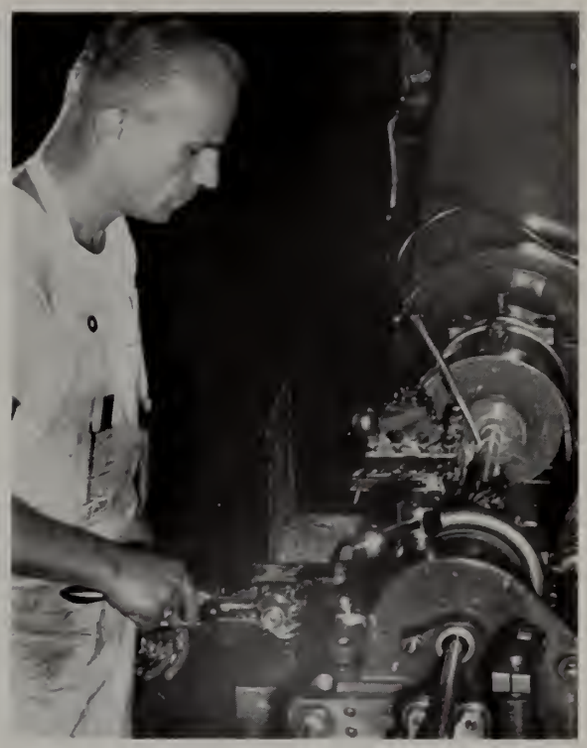
The fine quality of Whitin machines is not a matter of chance, but is deliberately built into every part by the use of the best materials machined to exacting tolerances by skilled workmen. In Department 424, as elsewhere in the Whitin Machine Works, parts are checked by vigilant inspectors. In this department, this work is done by Rene Provost, Abraham Koury, Jeanne Rauth, and Annie Ward.

Assemblies

More than 25 sub-assemblies, such as the Draw Box, Nipper Frame, and Comber Stands, are put together by Arthur Baillargeon, Lucien Blouin, Norman Stanley, Thomas Salvia, Edward Jones, Robert Lariviere, John Doyle, Jr., Eugene Champany, and Hector Chase. Assembly of these parts at the point where the components are machined makes for efficiency.

Repairs

Whitin machines seldom need repairs, yet after years of service in the mills it is inevitable that parts wear and



Above: The long lathe operated by John Solino can easily handle lengths up to 14 feet. Here John is bossing out and turning bearings on detaching rolls

Right center: There is close cooperation between those who assemble and those who inspect. Rene Provost carefully inspects the nipper frame assembled by Arthur Baillargeon

Right bottom: The fluting machine, operated by Mitchell Kroll, cuts the flutes of four detaching rolls at one time

Experienced hands add to the quality of this Job's products. From the left: Henry Groves assembles a segment to a comber cylinder while Michael Zylstra and Andrew Hoekstra assemble an index gear

Nimble-fingered workmen put together a number of sub-assemblies. From the left: Lucien Blouin works on comber stands, Edward Jones on draw boxes, and Hector Chase on Roto-Drafter needle cages

need replacing. For example, in 1940 Michael Zylst repaired parts on a Model "C" Comber manufactured 1898. As far as is known this Comber is still giving goo service. In this section is Henry Graves, still spry aft working here since March, 1893. His 60 years of exper ence make him a valuable member of this departmen

Office

In the office are Lucien Cassista, the planner, who wor closely with George Catterson, the man who checks a work in and out of the job. Records are kept by Ter Merolli and Rita Deome.

This job has made parts for over 600 Model "J" Com ers and currently is producing parts for four Combers week. Foreman Henry Kooistra takes pride in his me saying "We have a good team here in Department 42 I can truthfully say that the men working with me ta pride in their workmanship."

Foreman Henry A. Kooistra, who began work here years ago on the Roll Job, served his apprenticeship Whitin as a toolmaker on jigs and fixtures. He and M Kooistra, the former Tillie F. Frieswyk, were marri in 1921, and have three grown-up children, Andre Philip, and Sylvia. Henry enjoys historical novels.

Henry's assistant, Robert H. Hopkins, came here fro Somersworth, New Hampshire, in 1937. He and M Hopkins, the former Alethea Shenton, live at 28 Plumm Park with their six-year-old daughter, Kathleen Franc Bob's hobby is the making of small repairs to his hon

The department's senior employees include: Hen Graves, 60 years; Arthur Baillargeon, 49 years; Luci Blouin, 48 years; Stephen Machoian, 53 years; Micha Zysltra, 43 years; Patrick Kelly, 31 years; and C Froding, 27 years.

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ONE IDEA CAN SAVE MANY STEPS

A housewife, using the vacuum cleaner on the third floor, blew out a fuse. When she got to the cellar, she found there were six fuses, and she couldn't tell which one was blown out. It might take six trips up and down stairs to check on all the fuses.

So, this is what she did. She plugged in the vacuum cleaner again and then listened at the cellar stairway as she replaced one fuse after another. Finally she heard the hum of the cleaner and that told her she had found the right fuse.

If you have a more economical way of doing a job, submit your idea to the Suggestion Committee; it may win a liberal cash award.

FRONT COVER: Whitin today does more than make textile machinery, and some of the operations are colorful indeed. These golden-hued "Amcoloy" castings are being finished on the Chuck Job by Theodore Cormier for the Snow-Nabsted Gear Corporation of Hamden, Connecticut. The gleaming chips stream from the 100-pound castings at a rate of 800 feet a minute. Such work puts dollars in the pockets of Whitin workers.

Whitin Personality

"I was still wearing short pants when I came to work here on April 17, 1899," said Andrew R. Cahill, Department 441, as he briskly drilled a revolving clearer. "Working a 58-hour week on the Peg Job, I had two hours off every Saturday, and was paid $3.48 a week. Let me tell you, young fellow, that was good pay, for in those days a man could buy a pair of pants for fifty cents."

Andy, a pleasant, easy-to-get-along-with fellow, has a wealth of memories about the Shop and Town, for he was born in Whitinsville on October 27, 1884, and has spent his entire life here. At the age of 14 he left school and entered the Whitin Machine Works. On February 4, 1929, Andrew and Lillian C. Cahill were married in St. Patrick's Church, and for the past 24 years have lived at 116 Main Street.

During his years in the plant, Andrew has worked most of the time in Department 441, but also worked for some time for Mr. Harley Keeler, Department 419, and for Mr. Brenton Benner on Combers. "The biggest change in the Shop," Andrew says, "is that today the ways of making the parts are so much better." He has firm belief that the modern methods of today result in better products.

Andy's chief delight is in swimming. His unique ability of floating for periods up to half an hour without moving hand or foot has at times led to complications. About six years ago the proprietor of a local public beach looked at Andy's motionless body, decided that he had drowned, and removed his clothing from the locker to give to the next of kin. The proprietor was surprised when Andrew waded ashore and loudly demanded the return of his garments.

As a young man, Andy was noted as a skater and as a runner, sports that he has given up for some years. "Yes, though I say it myself, I did use to be a pretty fancy figure skater," observed Andrew. "Using ordinary skates I could do figure eights, curlicues, and grapevines, either forwards or backwards. Track, too, was a hobby of mine—I used to do a hundred yards in ten and one-fifth seconds."

The vegetables displayed at the Home Garden Club Exhibition in the Gymnasium on August 29 would make anyone's mouth water. The Whitin Estate gardeners won first prize with this exhibit which wos judged on voriety, quality, and arrongement of vegetables. John Bogie, Jr., is shown with the attractive display

Harvest Bounty

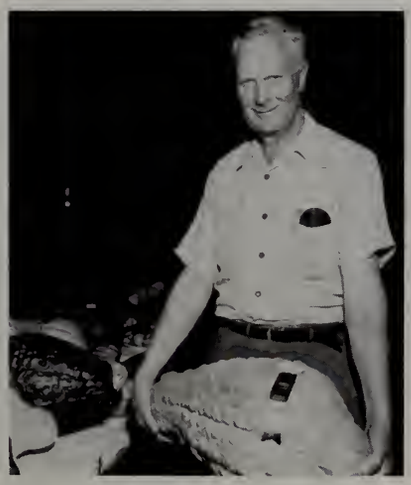
Lemoine Field, second prize winner for plot exhibits gave the Whitin Estate a run for its money. Lemoin Field missed the blue ribbon by only a few points Arthur Leavitt, not as discouraged as he appears, saic "Next year it will be a different story." The competi tion was porticularly keen this year. More than 20 ribbons were awarded for first, second, and third prize

Nicholas Rossetti ond Marderos Varteresian pose wit their third prize Johnson Avenue, Plot "M," exhibi

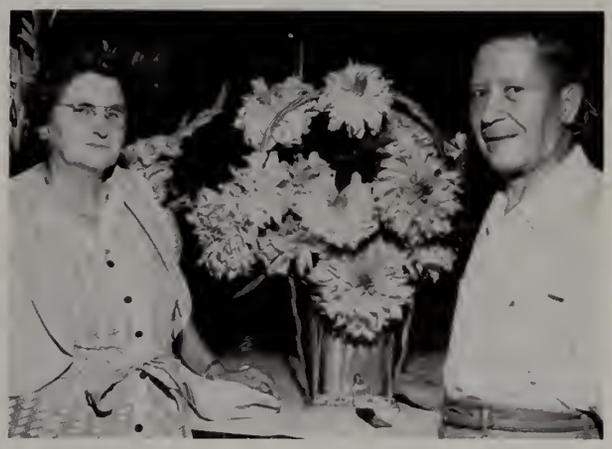
Herb Lightbown knows how to raise top quality "Glads." It's unusual when one of his well orranged baskets does not win a first prize. Mrs. Lightbown, Herb's mother, tokes a keen interest in her son's hobby. At the close of the shaw, flower exhibitors made up 25 bouquets and sent them to the Whitinsville Hospital. Bonning Flower Shop, Haringa Flower Shop, ond Pine Grove Conservatory (locol florists) presented bouquets and potted plants to those in the audience who were celebrating birthdoys closest to the date af the exhibitian

Miss Davis, af the Worcester County Extension Service, judged the canned goods which included jams, juices, fruit and vegetables. She is shown here with a basket of blueberries which won first prize for James Kroll

Visitors admire tasty looking muskmelans, potatoes and cauliflower

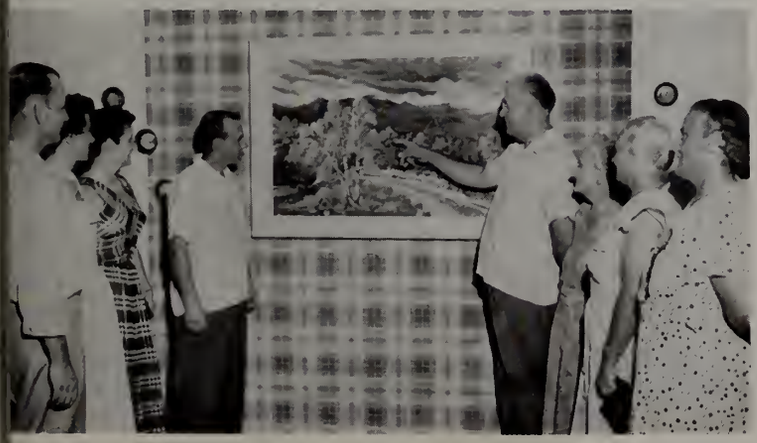


Gardner Norcross, of the Worcester County Extension Service, is usually the busiest man at the exhibition. He hos been the Chief Judge of the Garden Club shows for many years



Another first prize winner was Oscor Mayr. His colorful basket of Dahlias received a blue ribbon. Mrs. Moyr is shown an the left

low: The exhibition wouldn't be complete without me of Fred Demars' and Edward Gorman's interesting intings. Bottom right: Youngsters, occomponied by ir parents, were more interested in the photographer than the vegetables displayed



Whitin Machines + Bruck Craftsme

Bruck's advertising has been profitable because the cloims they make for their top-quality fobrics are true

In Quebec there is a river called the Magog which flow through virgin forest and fertile farmland to meet the waters of the Saint Francis. Where the two streams merge stands Sherbrooke—"Queen City of the Eastern Townships"—a thriving city whose sober, industrious, and hospitable population is of blended French, English, Scotch, and Irish extraction. Here Whitin machines are used by Bruck Mills, Ltd., an outstanding Canadian textile firm.

When a new yarn appears on the market in the textile industry there's a good chance it will be used by Bruck. Each year this firm uses over 6,000,000 pounds of yarns

(*Text continued on page 13*)

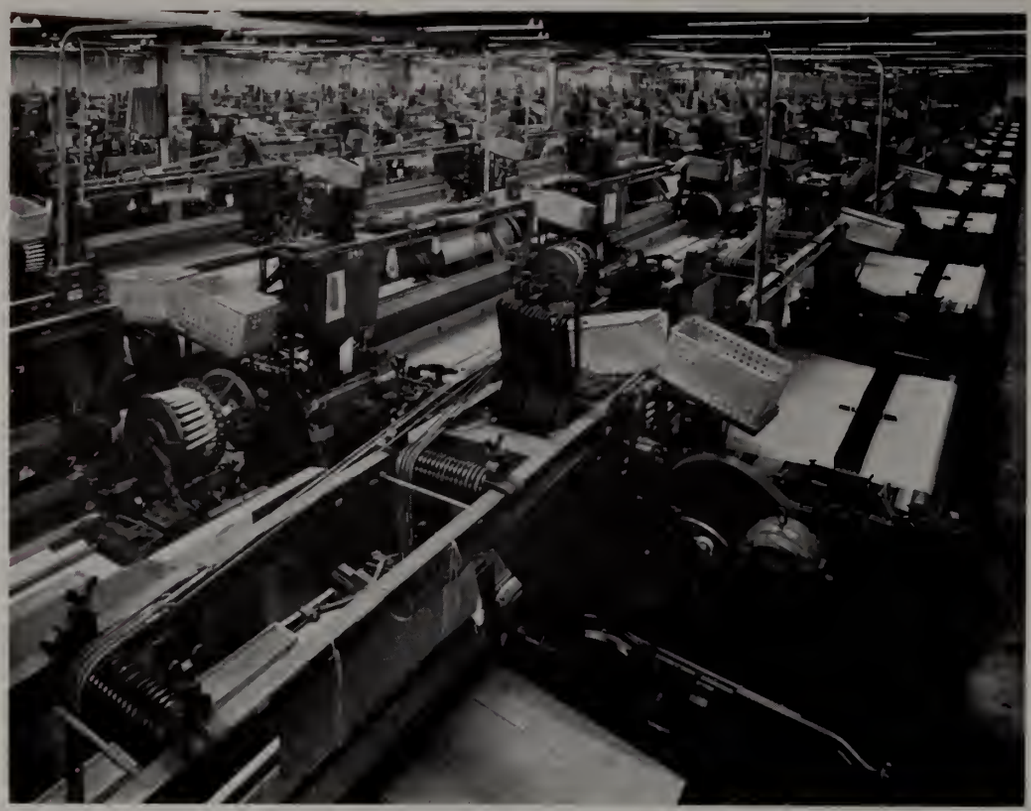
An attractive and efficient combinatian—the Sherbrooke spinning room, Whitin Madel F2 Spinning Frames, and a pretty girl

SUCCESS

Bruck uses many types of fibers, both natural and synthetic, which are processed on Whitin machines. Here stock is blended on Whitin Model N3 Blending Feeders

Operating a slasher, this Bruck employee is winding yarn threads that will run lengthways in the cloth onto warp beam

Intent on her work, this lassie is winding filling on Whitin-Schweiter Automatic Filling Winders. This material will become the cross-threads in the fabric



Bruck began with 14 looms, and now this weave shed alone contains over 200 looms. Bruck annually weaves over 9,000 miles of fabrics, varying in type from sheer dress crepes to luxurious heavy jacquards

Success Story

(Continued)

After printing or dying, cloth is set to final width in the finishing department. Without this step this print would be slightly irregular in width

A skilled designer prepares a silk-screen stencil used in hand printing. The care with which the design is prepared and the stencil made is in part responsible for Bruck's reputation for quality prints

n the production of fabrics. These yarns are made not nly from natural fibers but also from such synthetics s nylon, orlon, acetate, viscose, dacron, acrilan, and lynel. In October of 1951 Bruck completed at Sherrooke a Whitin-planned and equipped spun rayon yarn nill with a capacity of 2,000,000 pounds of yarn a year. So successful has this mill proved that Bruck has since ncreased this mill's capacity a third by the purchase of dditional Whitin machines.

Bruck operates a throwing mill at Saint Jeans, a spot hat is worthy of memory. Canadians are apt to smile uietly at the boasts of United States residents of never aving lost a war, for it was at Saint Jeans that an Ameriian invasion in 1775 was stopped cold when on Septemer 6 Guy Johnson's Mohawks and Monsieur de Lorimier's 'aughnawagas repulsed Montgomery's advance guard nd then held them for the next 24 days.

Bruck also operates a large weaving and finishing plant t Cowansville, a residential center that the government alled Nelsonville in honor of Lord Nelson. The people referred to name it after their postmaster.

It is at the Sherbrooke plant that Whitin makes its najor contribution to the success of Bruck. In speaking f this Whitin-equipped mill, Gerald L. Bruck, President, aid in his 1952 report to the stockholders, "The new Sherrooke Spinning Mill has justified every expectation and rom the commencement of operations successfully produced superior yarns at low cost. Your company's ommanding position in the industry with respect to its uiting and outerwear lines made of Bruck Spun Yarns is direct result of the plant's operations."

Among machines used are Whitin Blending Feeders, Pickers, Drawing Frames, Cards, Roving Frames, Spinning Frames, Twisters, and Schweiter Winders. The thread made by these machines is an important part of the more than 68,000,000 miles of yarn (enough to reach three-quarters of the way to the sun or 27,000 times around the earth's equator) used annually by Bruck. Sufficient water is used each day by the Bruck dye house to give each person in Canada one and a half glasses of water. You'd have to travel some to keep up with the shuttles in the Bruck mills, for each hour the shuttles travel the equivalent distance from Montreal to Lima, Peru.

The most interesting thing about the story of Bruck from the time it was organized by Isaac I. Bruck in 1921 is that here is no tale of extraordinary high finance or any of the standard trimmings of a success story. The plain unvarnished truth is that Mr. Bruck, a man of keen business perception, started with 14 looms in a converted munitions plant in Cowansville and succeeded because he made better cloth. Then as now, "Bruck Spun Fabrics" told their own story.

These fabrics are made in Bruck's mills, where as long slender shuttles race across and through the warped threads, the fabric takes form. If there be romance to the manufacture of fine fabrics, it is in coordination of machines with the nimble fingers, keen eyes, and technical knowledge of skilled craftsmen.

The machines made by Whitin workers may have been used by Bruck to furnish not one, but many fabrics used by Whitin employees. When you read a Bruck advertisement which tells about their quality products, remember, the machines you helped to build have played an important part in another success story.

Not all Bruck Fabric is printed. Here dyed cloth is removed from the vat under the watchful eyes of a dye house worker

Finally, sharp-eyed inspectors scan the cloth against bright lights, a process that detects the slightest flaw

Taxation

Why do businessmen always complain about taxes?

Could not all taxes be collected out of the profits of corporations?

What would be a good tax system?

WHILE NOBODY LIKES to give up part of what he has worked for to the tax collector, all of us recognize that we must contribute our share of the necessary expenses of the Government. Businessmen strive to point out the unwisdom of taxation which unduly hampers the growth and expansion of the economy and the creation of still more wealth in which all of the people, as well as the Government, can share.

Businessmen, perhaps, are a bit more aware of the effect of taxation on economic activity than other people. Many of them feel the tax axe in two ways—in their businesses and in their personal finances. Taxes to the businessman are something he has to live with virtually every day and the impact of taxation colors almost every decision he makes.

Growth Is Limited

Unsound tax policies limit the ability of business to grow and develop. They make it hard to raise money to finance new enterprises because when rates are too high investors are unwilling to risk loss for a slight possible gain. All around him the businessman sees the incentive to work harder and produce more seriously inhibited because the tax collector has his hand out for the lion's share of everything over a certain amount.

To make the enterprise system vigorous and productive, tax policies must be geared to stimulate initiative, ambition and the application of extraordinary effort. They must be built upon economic, instead of political, considerations.

Only People Pay

The notion that corporations are an inexhaustible source of tax revenue is one that appeals strongly to the politician, but it doesn't hold water once the facts are faced. Actually, a corporation is merely a legal fiction with no personality of its own. It is true it cannot vote; also it cannot pay taxes. Only people can pay taxes. What is collected from the corporation by the Government is paid in the end by its employees, its shareholders, and the consumers who buy its products or services. Their share in whatever success or efficiency of operation the corporation achieves is reduced by the amount the Government takes. The corporation merely acts as a tax collector for the Government, but it's people who really foot the tax bill.

A Good Tax System

A good tax system would be one that stopped short at the exact point necessary to finance proper and essential government needs; that was based on economic instead of political considerations; that recognized the need of the economy for a continual flow of venture capital out of savings; that did not unfairly penalize any person in relation to others or place any business at a competitive disadvantage; that balanced its levies reasonably between income taxes and consumption taxes so as to promote stability of revenue; that did not unduly curtail the incentive to work harder and earn more at any income level; that was assessed on the ability to pay, but with an absolute upper limit of 50% of anyone's earnings.

The Skinned Sheep

In simple words, a good tax system would aim at shearing an ever-growing crop of wool from the sheep year by year without shaving those with the thickest coat so close that discouragement and disaffection would set in and become widespread.

No one is likely to exert extraordinary effort in any field of activity if more than 50% of what he earns by harder work or greater daring is taken away in taxes. The few million dollars in revenue gained by rates which take more than 50% of the reward for superior performance do not make up for the loss of incentive and urge to make more which has been the mainspring of American enterprise.

he multi-hued parakeets held by Arthur Richards re worth in excess of a hundred dollars. In the cage ore yellow, blue, green, and white pairs

Hobby—

Above: Buddy, the 18-month-old cobalt-blue shell parakeet held by Pearl Richards, is allowed the freedom of the house. Within a few minutes he was using the photographer for a perch. Center: It wauld take several dozen of these tiny eggs to satisfy a hungry man, but the price the young birds will bring would pay far many dozen of hens' eggs

Raising Parakeets

F, as the evening shadows fall, you would like your ving room to sound like an Australian woodland, if ou would like a small feathered eompanion to share your reakfast and wateh television with you, if in one year ou would like to see $180 grow to over $1000, then you ill be interested in the hobby that fills the leisure hours Arthur J. Riehards, tool erib attendant in Depart- ent 454. During the year that Arthur has raised para- ets at his small aviary at 294 High Street, Woonsoeket, has had all of the above experienees.

In the wild state parakeets were small green Australian rrots. In eaptivity, selective breeding has produeed rds of myriad hues. Starting with 18 birds purchased om six reputable dealers in widely scattered states and used in second-hand boxes bought from the Whitin Iaehine Works, Arthur and Peggy Richards have devel- ed a strong strain of birds and now have more than 5 different colors in their stock of 140 birds. During e past year they have sold about 300 birds.

The value of the birds varies, and while in the past irs of rare birds have sold for as mueh as $1000, today e price ranges from $25 a pair for the eommon eolors as mueh as $250 for scareer eolors. Brilliant plumage only one of the parakeets' desirable charaeteristies, r they are also noted for ability to mimie sounds, for e ease with whieh they are trained, and for their long emories. Arthur prefers them to canaries beeause they e easier to keep and train, are more hardy, are able to t along with eats and dogs, and may be let loose in the use without damage to the furnishings.

The raising of parakeets is a simple and pleasant task according to Arthur. The initial cost is low—$35 should pay for a pair of good breeders and for the neeessary cages and nesting box. The birds—sturdy creatures with a life span of 25 years—ean stand eold but not drafts, so a box 24″ x 12″ x 22″ should be given a front of ½″ eello-screening. The birds need a nesting box 6″ x 8″ x 10″, standard seed and watering cups, and roosts made of ½″ doweling. The upkeep is low—a pair of birds should eat about a half pound of seed, cost 30 cents a pound, per week.

Arthur allows his birds to mate twiee in suceession, eaeh hatch requiring about three months to raise, and then separates his parent birds and gives them a six months' vacation. Each mother bird lays eight or 10 pinkish-white eggs about the size of a robin's egg on the bare boards of the nesting box. Arthur allows her to keep five. The hatching period is 18 days and the eggs hateh over a period of a week. The male bird beats the stuffing out of any frivolous female who attempts to negleet her household duties.

"I can say a hundred good things about parakeets," said Arthur, "for they are intelligent, affeetionate pets. They love to perch on your shoulder, glasses, or hair. They will kiss you on the lips, raee up and down ladders, talk, and swing for hours. Some birds will play with ping-pong balls, or roll around in a cardboard eontainer. I ean make a good living raising parakeets and it's a pleasant hobby I can enjoy to the end of my days."

Mr. Richards has been employed at the Whitin Maehine Works for the past six years. At the present time his aim is to build up a breeding stoek of 300 birds rather than to sell his pets, but visitors are weleome to his aviary on any afternoon.

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

We have said good-by again, to Robert Bosworth who has left to work in General Electric in Lynn. . . . Eddie Plante was home recently, and although he didn't come in to see us several of the boys saw him and say he is a shadow of his former self, having lost 35 pounds. Take it easy, Eddie. . . . Armand Cournoyer served as best man for his cousin Danny Cahill, who was married to Claire O'Connell on Saturday, September 12, in St. Patrick's Church in Whitinsville. Armand looked pretty sharp in his best bib and tucker. . . . Donat Bileau and Robert Shaw both celebrate birthdays in October. Many happy returns! Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. James Ferguson and to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Buma who celebrate wedding anniversaries also in October.

Personality of the Month: Lawrence Gilmore was born in Whitinsville, July 29, 1907, across the street from where he is now living. He attended Northbridge Public Schools until 1923 when he started to work at Whitin Machine Works. He served his time as a cabinetmaker for three years, and then, until he was laid off in 1930 due to lack of work, he worked in the Carpenter Shop. A month after he was laid off he was called back to work as repair man on the Wood Pattern Job. Here he subsequently learned pattern making. He has worked here ever since and recently received his 30-year pin. A picture of Lawrence will appear in the next issue among the Familiar Faces.

In 1929 he married Olga Johnson of South Sutton. They have four children, three girls and a boy. They all live at home, 416 Main Street, Whitinsville, except Harold, who is at present in Buffalo working for Westinghouse Electric Company. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Whitin Machine Works Credit Union. He is also a member of the local Grange and Odd Fellows. He is an active member of the Methodist Church—on the Board of Trustees and sings in the choir. He has a home workshop where he does odd jobs in woodworking. Lawrence built a sailboat which he would like to find time to sail again, but he doesn't have much leisure. He used to do quite a bit of camping at Point Judith and Matunuck, R.I., but he's getting "a little too old for that," he says.

Bill Sibley was pleasantly surprised last month when Foreman Bill Hartley visited his home and presented him with a pipe, tobacco, and cigars, gifts of his fellow employees. Sibley retired on August 14

PICKER AND SPINNING AND SYNTHETIC TWISTER SMALL PARTS

by Syd Miedema

Those celebrating birthdays this month are David White, Ralph Field, Bertha Ledue, Buster Bromley, Simon Ploegstra, Walter Boutitier, and M. J. Connally. . . . Receiving service pins this month were George Leland, a 20-year pin, and Marian Tszcinka, a five-year pin. We wish them many more years. . . . Vassel Bakker's exceptionally well-groomed hair could, by chance, have some connection with the type of hair cream he received as first prize in a flapjack flipping contest on a parents' night visit to Treasure Valley. . . . William "Bill" Sibley had planned to retire on August 14 but because of illness could not be with us on that day. William Hartley went to Millbury to surprise him with cigars, pipes, and tobacco, gifts from his many friends and fellow workers. Now that Bill has completed 20 years of service we wish him good health and happiness in the years ahead.

John VonderBaan, Department 446, retired on August 28 after working here since November, 1900. He plans to spend much of his leisure time at his new home on Goldthwaite Road. Foreman Francis Lowe presented him with a purse, the gift of his fellow workers. For the past 35 years Jahn has worked only on the Drawing Job

When Robert Smith, who began work here in April, 1910, retired on August 28 he received as gifts from his fellow workers a meerschoum pipe, cigars, tobacco, and a purse. The presentation was made by Foreman George Armston. Bob, who lives at 35 North Main Street, plans to devote his spare time to raising flowers

CARD SMALL PARTS AND CYLINDERS

by Millie Turgeon

Belated best wishes for a happy wedding anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Piper who celebrated their 14th year of marriage on August 26. Wendell is a member of Department 419. . . . Also celebrating wedding anniversaries are Bernie Lefevre and Mrs. Lefevre on October 1 and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tero on September 9. The Lefevres have completed their 13th year together in marriage and the Teros their third year. Our best wishes to you and may you enjoy many more happy years together.

Birthday greetings to Ernie Bonoyer on October 1 and to Lorenzo Audet on the 4th. . . . Tommy Stevenson, our foreman, seems to have taken up golf quite seriously. It all started with this new driving range had. Tommy tried his skill on the driving range a few times and it didn't take much persuasion on the part of Jimmy Dundas to convince Tommy to try the golf course. Tom became so enthusiastic over the game that he invested in a set of clubs. Happy golfing, Tommy. . . . Gordon Thomson is now working in a hardware store in his spare time. If you need hardware, see Gordon at the Uxbridge Hardware Store. . . . Jack Fitzgerald, a retired employee from this department, dropped in for a visit recently. Jack is looking very good and is as jolly as ever.

Several girls from the Bowling League visited New York over the Labor Day week end. They were Agnes Spence, Louise Polovgian, Veronica Mahoney, Sara Der Parkisian, Lill Scott, Rose Coporale, Wanda Panton, and me. We stayed at the New Yorker and visited a few places of interest. We took in Radio City Music Hall show and another show featuring that dizzy pair Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis in person. (Understand Dean Martin is Perry Como's brother.) The churches we visited were St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Little Church Around the Corner, and Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. We all took the train to New York that miserable hot week end but we were lucky enough to have an air-conditioned car. The heat nearly knocked us for a loop when we got off in New York. Two of the girls, Veronica and Sara, returned home by plane. They left after we did and were home hours before us.

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

Congratulations to Walter Lawton, Nap Deschene, Phil Ryan, Pete DeVries, Fred Crockett and Ray Cnossen on receiving their 20-year service pins. . . . As this issue goes to press, Henry Krawczyk (apprentice) and Julius Vierstra are in the hospital for observation. Henry is in the Woonsocket Hospital and Julius is in the Memorial Hospital. Ed Dumais is on the injured list. Ed was hurt in an automobile accident on his way home from work one afternoon. . . . Jim Malcus has got his hand out again this year to collect from Jim O'Rourke, Jim Gellately, and Al Morin, the Red Sox die hards. . . . The Tool Job is gradually going to pot. First they fail to field a team in the Softball League and now, because of lack of interest, the Tool Job Bowling League has been cancelled. . . . The noon-hour pitch club had to hold their pitch games up in the park in back of the gymnasium for three weeks in September, because the gym was closed for renovation. Can you picture Big Joe Rosol and Leo Eramo sitting on the grass playing cards? . . . Fred Rondeau is at home with a case of bursitis. Several men on the job have also had the same trouble during the past year. . . . We were pleased to see Phil Kooistra recently. Phil is now stationed in Texas.

ROVING SMALL PARTS AND ROVING ERECTING

by Mary Hugley

William Lyman is now the proud owner of a six-family house. . . . Robert Smyth retired on August 28 after 43 years of service. He received a pipe, tobacco, cigars, and a purse of money. . . . A farewell party was held in the office during noon hour for Arthur Shevchenko, who has left us to join the Foreign Sales Department. . . . We are sorry to see our timekeeper, Hazel O'Rourke, leave for New Hampshire. . . . Milton Murray has gone to the Comber Job. . . . We welcome Bernard Smith, our new planner, Mary Della Jones, our new timekeeper, and Paul Godbout, apprentice. . . . Birthday greetings this month to Alfred Emonds, Edward Frappier, Milton Murray, John O'Brien, Lawrence Gonsorcik, and your reporter.

GEAR JOB

by Irene Kalvinek

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Thomas are receiving congratulations on their 15th wedding anniversary which they celebrated on September 17. Mr. Thomas is a gear cutter in this department. . . . Happy birthday this month of October to Florent Reith, John SenKarik, Charles Bagg, James Spratt, and William Greenwood. . . . Our best wishes to Rene Lavallee who has been transferred to another department. . . . A stag party was held for Aime Brochu last month. He will marry Mary McDonald of the Cost Department. At the party Aime received a purse from his friends together with their good wishes. . . . Louise O'Connell has returned to the Gear Job after a brief illness. It's good to have you back again, Louise. . . . I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Beatrice Gervais for the news items that she has given to me for this column.

STEEL FABRICATION AND CUTTING-OFF JOBS

by Maurice P. Valois

Since this column covers two departments, we have chosen our happy co-worker, Alfred Briggs of Department 410, to share the SPINDLE limelight. He was born on May 28, 1902 in Sutton. He attended and graduated from the Manchaug Grammar School in 1918. As the country was at war at that time, Alfred, or "Fred" as he is better known, took a job as teamster at the now extinct Manchaug Company Farms to alleviate the manpower shortage existing then. Surprisingly enough, Fred stayed on for eight years. When the "farm" sold out, Alfred moved on to Oxford and worked in the apple orchards for three years, and then to Chaffee Brothers, in Oxford as a teamster handling logs and assorted supplies, a job he greatly enjoyed. In August of 1941, Fred joined the Whitin Machine Works on Department 453 and two years ago, transferred to 410 as shipment receiver's helper. On July 31, 1927, Fred married the former Lillian Peters of South Sutton at the Parson's House in Oxford. They have five children, Bertha and June, both married; Alfred, Jr., recently released from the U. S. Army; Robert; and a youngster born last September. Fred enjoys fishing and gardening, but his number one hobby is raccoon hunting—a subject he can out-talk you on. He is a linesman on W. M. W. Fire Company No. 1. His wish is to meet good coon hunters in this vicinity.

Steve Bezik, newly elected president of the 432 Benefit Club, announces the following officers for the year 1953–1954: Robert H. Moorey, vice-president; Pat DeBellis, treasurer; Eugene A. Closson, secretary; Alfred H. Nichols, chairman of the Board of Governors, with Harvey Croteau as senior assistant and Bernard E. Gervais, as junior assistant. A new set of bylaws was voted upon by the membership at a special meeting held on 432 a few weeks ago.

Cigars by the fistful were the order of the day when Grandpa Harold Kelliher announced the birth of his grandson, Peter Michael Tetreault. Peter Michael's daddy is Merritt and Mama is Harold's daughter

Alfred C. Briggs, Department 410, proudly holds a heavy coon, a prize trophy. He likes to meet and talk with other coon hunters. Hunting is his hobby

On the right Bernard Gervois of 432, inspector and Personality of the Month, jests with James Fitzgerald, Department 432 planner-timekeeper

Veronica (Kelliher) Tetreault. It all happened last September 8 at the Worcester Memorial Hospital. Congrats to all! . . . Hello to all from former co-worker Frank Rousseau. . . . To John Pouliot, at home after a surgical operation, hurry back. . . . Belated birthday greetings to Gerard Boulanger of 410. . . . Happy TV viewing to Wilfred O. Miclette with his new 27-inch Philco and his air-conditioned home. . . . Thanks for the cigars to John Wojcik of 410 upon the wedding of his daughter. . . . A tip of the hat to Mr. George Rae, outside electrical supervisor and his two able assistants, Joseph Stefans and Robert Blackburn, for the installation of new overhead fluorescent lights on 432. . . . The Shop Warehouse bowling team for this year will have John F. Steele as manager; John "Red" Kortecamp as assistant manager; Simon Bosma, Bernard E. Gervais, Gordon Rattray, and Harold Kelliher. On the reserve list, Steele will have Aarne Nelson, Setrak Akillian, and Bob Moorey. Bowling trials were held a few weeks ago at the Donald Alleys in Uxbridge and the team's bowling average at that time was 95.3. Not bad at all. Hope you get to play in the final roll-off.

A few weeks ago, Mike Yozura of 432, organized a deep-sea fishing party aboard the "Dolly" off the shores of Jerusalem, R.I. In the group were two hardy salt-water fishermen (so they said), Ralph Aspinwall and Robert Moorey, who had the boys really hepped up for a few days previous to sailing time. When the date arrived, it was windy, cold, and the sea rough. However, the entire party decided to go fishing just the same. The "Dolly" was not far from shore when both Ralph and Bob found out they had left their "sea legs" at home! And whom do you think voted to return to shore but quick? However, the party was a lot of fun even though few fish were caught.

432's Personality of the Month: On the morning of June 6, 1928, Bernard E. Gervais saw daylight in Milford Hospital. The happy parents resided and are still residing at Rice City, North Uxbridge. Bernard's father, Romeo, works at Uxbridge Worsted as a winder tender. His mother is the former Myrtle Migneault whose main occupation is housekeeping. "Bernie" attended North Uxbridge Grammar School and graduated in 1942 to Uxbridge High School. At graduation time in 1946, Bernie's plans were to travel and see things. But being fresh out of school and wanting to line his pockets with that green stuff with a dollar sign, he took a job during vacation at Whitin Machine Works on Department 451 as presser. After a few months at Whitin Machine Works, he went to Uxbridge Worsted, but officially returned to Whitin Machine Works in August of 1947, and is now Inspector on 432. During his youth, Bernie was at one time Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 24 of North Uxbridge, a clarinet player in the Uxbridge High School band, and a produce clerk in a local chain store. His hobbies are woodworking, photography, golfing, and bowling. He was also one of the second basses in the Whitin Male Glee Club. On May 14, 1949, Virginia Deome of Whitinsville became Mrs. Gervais. At the present time, the Gervais' are building their new home at Rice City, North Uxbridge.

TIN CYLINDER JOB

by Wilbur Baird

Clams—lost, stolen, or strayed: "Red" Jones is still searching for the clams that were supposed to be in the clam (?) chowder his wife served to him the other day. Up to date, Red hasn't even smelt the clams, much less seen them.

We say so-long, but not good-by, to Al Cupka, Larry Volpe, and Andy Ballentine, who have been transferred to other departments. We hope business conditions will soon permit their return to this department. . . . Congratulations go to Frank DeJong who joined the ranks of the 20-year men on September 16. . . . Roy Bosma, son of Carl Bosma, assistant foreman in Department 450, recently underwent an operation on both his eyes. He is now recuperating at his home. . . . Andy Ballentine has returned to work, after being out sick for several weeks. . . . Charles VandenAkker, guard at the Linwood Mill, enjoyed a trip to Michigan to visit friends and relatives, during his vacation. He was accompanied by his family.

On the left is John Wojcik, Department 410, shown with his doughter Eleanor Brochu, Robert Brochu, and Mr. and Mrs. Donat Brochu

Mr. and Mrs. Teake S. Boker celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a fomily dinner on September 25. Teake works on the Roll Job

ROLL JOB

by John C. Onanian

Personality of the Month: Popkin Kasperian was born in Armenia in 1910 and came to this country in 1920. At the age of ten years he had survived the massacre by the Turks—his grandmother, mother, brother, and sister were killed. Popkin received his education in the public schools in town and graduated from Becker Business College, Worcester. He began on the Roll Job under Jack Carroll in 1933 and has been here since for most of the time. At times, when business has been slack he has been transferred to other departments but he has always returned to Department 436. His first job was squaring up to length on the lathe. In addition he has done general shop work and for the past two years has operated a Warner and Swasey. He and Mary Melikian of Worcester were married in 1936 and are the parents of a daughter and a son. Popkin is a Past Grand of the Whitinsville I.O.O.F. He enjoys sports of all types.

We congratulate Mrs. Pauline Machota on the many prizes her entries won at the Whitin Home Garden Club exhibition. Her canned tomatoes, pears, green beans, and dosher pickles brought her first-prize ribbons, and her sweet pickles with raisins and her dill pickles won third-prize ribbons for her. . . . Numo Gomes is building a two-car garage at the rear of his house. He offers to accept all volunteer workers. . . . We are glad to see John Rutana back to work after an absence caused by illness. . . . Birthday greetings to Michael Ardesian, Basil Konvent, Wilfred Reneau and Wilfred Givard. . . . Congratulations to Chester Clinton, Walter Szocik, and Emile Deschamps who received their 20-year service pins from Mr. John Cunningham.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

A stag was held at the Colonial Club in Webster on September 17, honoring Mr. Leo Gauthier, whose marriage to Miss Roberta Guertin will be solemnized October 10. . . . A speedy recovery is wished to Mrs. Beatrice Carpenter who entered Hahnemann Hospital recently. Hurry back, Bea, we all miss you. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Sheehan have moved to Haringa Avenue, Whitinsville. . . . We welcome Claire Bonadei back to the office after a leave of absence. . . . We bid farewell to Edward Gorman who left September 25 to join the Order of Brothers of Holy Cross at Valatie, New York, where he takes up his new duties. A farewell dinner was tended Mr. Gorman on September 24. . . . Department 453 Softball Club, for the second straight year, won the shop league softball championship title. . . . For the second year, Department 429 provided the opposition, in the final playoff, they went down to defeat by the scores of 4 to 2 and 5 to 3 in two very exciting ball games. . . . There was a change this year in so far as the award of trophies was concerned. Each individual player received a similar trophy for himself rather than one single trophy for the team as a whole, as was awarded last year and in previous seasons. . . . Our congratulations to Traffic Manager John Wasiuk who was presented his 20-year service pin last month.

METAL PATTERNS

by William Prior

Personality of the Month: Peter Bedigian, an employee of the Whitin Machine Works for the past 39 years, was born in Armenia in 1895. At the age of 18 he came to this country and began work on the Comber Job in 1914. He came to Department 402 in 1922 under C. M. Stuart. During his time in the department, Peter has always worked around the molding machines. He and Mrs. Bedigian have a family of three sons and a daughter. One son is serving in the Navy and another son is in the Army. During the summer, Peter gardens, and during the winter, he enjoys television and reading.

Koko Barsamian recently received his 20-year pin. . . . Bob Caston, after a seven weeks' illness during which he was hospitalized for three weeks, returned to work on September 8. . . . Harry Daubney took his two weeks' vacation last month. He spent a week at Hampton and a week touring Pennsylvania. . . . Ed Benoit has left us to work for General Electric in Lynn. . . . At this writing Jack Leonard has been in the Whitinsville Hospital for several weeks. . . . Ray Belanger who has been filling in for Jack Leonard has been doing a fine job. . . . Henry Martin is driving a new car. . . . Bill Farland and family spent two weeks in Canada.

Popkin Kasperian, after surviving a massacre in Turkey, came to this country at the oge of 10

Mrs. Josephine Rotty, of Northbridge, mother of Dora Daniels of the Sanitation Department, celebrated her 84th birthday recently

MILLING JOB

by Arthur LeClaire

To Mrs. Marie VanderBaan, who retired on August 28, we join together in wishing her many years of happiness. . . . There will be sweet music in the air around Woonsocket starting the first day of Indian summer. Edward "Shorty" Fontaine of the night shift is to start taking saxophone lessons that day. If anyone has a used sax for sale contact "Shorty."

We welcome back the following employees: Clyde Sonne, Herant Sarkisian, Albert Desjardin, Jose Boedo, Pat Criasia, Lucien Benoit, Leo Cardin, Leo Massicotte, and William Fitzpatrick, first cousin of the ever popular William Fitzpatrick, Chief of Police of Milford. . . . Rose Belanger has returned after a long absence due to illness.

Birthday wishes to: Norman Sutherland, Arthur Trottier, Sidney Vandersea, Olin Towle, Frank Rutana, and Leo Massicotte.

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

Congratulations to Carl Wood, who recently received his 20-year pin, and to Remi Roy, who received his 10-year pin. . . . We welcome back John Campbell who has been out on sick leave. . . . Get well wishes to Tom McGuire who received a leg injury while playing ball. . . . Recent visitors were Alton Ramsey and Jim Buckley, both stationed in Georgia. . . . Don Simmons spent two weeks with the Army Reserve at Camp Drum, N. Y. . . . Anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Elphege Morin and to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Baker. . . . Belated greetings to Mabel Lemoine and husband.

SPINDLE JOB

by Edward Bates

Personality of the Month: Louis Hoekstra, born in Uxbridge, had as his first job work in an Uxbridge lumber yard. He came to the Whitin Machine Works in 1933 as a grinder hand on the old Whitin grinders, and now is finish grinding steps of spindle blades on new Norton grinders. Louis and Mrs. Hoekstra have five children: John, Louis, Jr., Andy, Charles, and Deborah. John is a staff sergeant; Louis, Jr. has just entered the service; Andy is at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy at Buzzards Bay. As a sport Louis likes baseball.

Jacob Wassenaar, Mrs. Wassenaar, and Joan Wassenaar went to Grand Rapids, Michigan, to witness the graduation of Marie Ann Wassenaar from Blodgett Memorial Hospital on September 10. Marie, who graduated from Northbridge High and in 1950 attended Calvin College, Michigan, has secured a position at Memorial Hospital, Worcester. She is engaged to Theodore Haringer, Overlook Street, Whitinsville, who is attending Becker Business College.

CHUCK JOB AND AUTOMATICS

by Dot Antoian

Joe Connors, former inspector, recently enjoyed a 24-day furlough at home before leaving for Germany, where he will be stationed. . . . Joe Stevens, former timekeeper at 418, recently stopped in to see us while passing a 14-day leave at home. Joe is in the Navy and is stationed at Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Virginia. . . . Arthur Litke and Jake DeJong presented Henry Koliss with his 20-year service pin. . . . Congratulations to Alfred Violette, inspector, who was married to Miss Doris Beaudette at St. Louis Church in Woonsocket, September 26. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and

Louis Hoekstra, grinder hand on the Spindle Job, is that department's Personality this month

Mrs. Norman Spratt who celebrated their 26th wedding anniversary on September 17. We all hope you will enjoy many more happy years together.

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

The Bolster Job welcomes John Dziob and Rudolph Coutu. . . . If anybody heard a loud crash in Pascoag that was only Bob Cochrane's old tractor going to its final resting place. Said Bob, "It will never run again."

Tidbits: A. Jigarjian now owns a '53 Chevrolet and Ira Maghakian has a '52 Buick. . . . Al Girouard's son, Al Junior, received a scholarship to Assumption Prep. He was chosen from 400 who applied. . . . We are all glad to see Flora Grennon back after a recent illness. . . . Arthur Gauthier and family took a week-end trip to Niagara Falls, Canada, and Upper New York. . . . Manning Arnold at one time was a professional boxer, which accounts for his speed and agility now. . . . Another baseball season has come to a close and all Red Sox fans have sharpened and put away their barbs hoping to be able to use them on the Yankee fans next year. Heard on the job is the old familiar cry, "Wait until next year."

GRINDER JOB

by Virginia Burke

Personality: Ambrose L. Luchini, known to most of us on the job as Percy, was born in Italy in 1889, came to the U.S.A. when he was eight months old, has lived most of his life in Milford. At the age of 14 he started working in the Tool Department of the Draper Corporation of Hopedale, learning to make tools. He left there to work for the Hopedale Manufacturing Company until 1926 as toolmaker and research worker. He came to Whitin in 1937 where he has been night supervisor, day supervisor, a lathe operator, and an inspector. He married Theresa Cenedella of Milford. They have two children: a daughter, Mrs. Elinor Trotto, organist and assistant director of the Sacred Heart choir of Milford, and a son Captain Lewis Luchini, a former employee at Whitin, now stationed at the Orlando Air Base in Florida. Lewis is a navigator who served five years in Europe and three years in Japan and Korea. Ambrose's hobbies are sports and politics. He has served some 30 years as a Republican committee member in Milford. He is a quiet fellow and well liked by his fellow workers.

We are proud of our golf champion, Walter Solina, who won the golf cup at the Castle Hill Country Club in Woonsocket during the tournament in August. Congratulations, Walter. . . . We extend a hearty welcome to Thomas Tycks who comes to 426 as

While we usually do not print pictures of 20-year men, when ten men from one department receive their service pins in a two-month period we think it worthy of note. The following members of Department 439 received their 20-year pins in July and August, from the left, front row: Spofford Boone, Eugene Racine, Harvey Roy, Edwin Stevens, and Homer Desrosiers. Reor row: Robert Swon, Clarence Swart, Jaseph Chobot, Louis Hoekstra, and Paul Rutona

During vacation this gang from the Foundry pitched in to paint a fence belanging to Yervant Tiberian. In the foreground, from the left, are Toros Tououmjian and Arshog Goshgarian while in the reor row ore Manaag Megerdichion, Kirkor Ovian, and Yervont Tiberion

ssistant to William Todd. . . . We wonlered why Uxbridge was going to install rubber telephone poles but now we hear "Bea" is learning to drive. . . . Arthur nd Mrs. Berube are entertaining Mrs. Berube's brother from California, their first neeting in seven years.

A speedy recovery is our wish to Paul Veslusam's wife, who is at Doctors' Hospital, Worcester. . . . Gerard Bouvier is serving his apprenticeship with Department 426. He is now learning the art of grinding. . . . Our families have all settled down for the vinter. Now that school has started, trips have come to an end. . . . Birthday greetngs to Alfred Vallee and Joseph Bergeron. . . . Congratulations on wedding anniverraries to Christine and Ross Rajotte, their ighth; and to Joseph and Mrs. Bergeron, heir 17th.

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

Personality of the Month: George L. Monde, who was born in Boston April 16, 920, has been employed in the Foundry or seven years. George received his educaion in Boston and at Ringe Tech, Camridge, where he studied printing and oodworking. During World War II, he erved in the Army in Italy, France, England, nd Germany. On November 24, 1945, he arried Lucy Lambert of 1966 Menden oad, Woonsocket, Rhode Island. They ow make their home at 52 Birch Street, Woonsocket. George, who is a crane oprator on the charging floor, lists as his obbies fishing and hunting.

On September 3 Edward Jennings retired fter 49 years in the Foundry of the Whitin Machine Works. Ed, who was born in Leap, ounty Cork, Ireland, on July 28, 1882, eceived his education in Ireland. He lives t the Blue Eagle and enjoys fishing, hunting, nd baseball. He was presented with a gift heck, on behalf of the men in the Foundry, y Mr. Raymon F. Meader.

This month we salute A/2c Normand O. Dion, who is now stationed in Korea. Normand, the son of Ovide A. Dion, 10 McBride Street, Woonsocket, was born in Northbridge and attended Assumption College High. He entered the service February 15, 1952, and received his training at Sampson Air Force Base, New York. His father, Ovide, has been employed on the squeezer unit for nine years.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Guidi, 17 Court Street, Milford, who celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary on September 21. They have a five-year-old daughter, Marie. . . . It is nice to see Nick Carter back with us. . . . For weeks after Milford won the North New England American Legion baseball title, those from Milford had smiles on their faces. Bibbe was so happy we suspect he owned shares in the team. . . . Good luck to Jim Maffia and family who are pulling up stakes and heading for Los Angeles, California. . . . Casper, the ladle pusher, went bargain hunting in Worcester. After pricing identical shirts at $1.25 and $1.50 he felt the price was too high and bought one for $1.75 in Whitinsville. . . . We welcome back Steven L. Kraft, Lawrence J. Ray, Richard A. Chester, Edward C. Smith, and Alfred Cormier. . . . We welcome Theresa A. Guidi, Isaiah Lindsey, Mathus Edmonds, Earle L. Tarver, Robert Lamarche, John Dandy, and Woodrow Leveque to the Foundry.

Retirement Committee report: Balance from last month, $99.69; expenditures, $50.00; balance, $49.69; September 11 collection, $40.90; present total, $90.59.

LINWOOD MILL

by Louise Sohigian

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson on their 19th anniversary. . . . We are very happy to hear about Aldea Peterson's son, Donald, coming home after more than 20 months service in Korea. . . . About eight members of the Women's Bowling League went to New York over Labor Day. From reports from a couple of them, they had a good time but almost had to get accommodations in Blackstone when their bus broke down. They were stranded about three hours. . . . A speedy recovery to Bill Prior who is at St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester.

Harold Adams, Stock Room Personality of the Month, is pictured above with his father

George Morande, crane aperator on the charging floor, is the Foundry Personality of the Month. George, who was in the Army for five years, saw service in Italy, France, England, and Germany

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mousseau on their seventh anniversary. . . . Happy birthday this month to Cora Barsamian.

STOCK ROOM 406

by Claire Lapierre

Personality of the Month: Let me introduce you to one of our fellow workers who has been employed in the shop for 34 years. He is Harold Adams, who has worked on the Milling Job, Card Cylinder Job, and the Stockroom where he is now supervisor of the main floor. He and Mrs. Adams make their home in Northbridge and spend their summers at the cottage at Point Judith that Harold built. He and his buddy, George Forsythe of Department 422, enjoy fresh- and salt-water fishing together. Harold also takes great pleasure in his hobby of making records.

News Notes: We bid farewell to Gerry Lawrence and Ernest Arsenault, who have left to take over new jobs, and to George Arsenault, who has been transferred to No. 5 Crib. . . . We had a friendly visit from Leonard White who is out of the hospital and who is convalescing at home. He hopes to return to work in the near future. . . . We were sorry to hear that Mrs. Konstantine Rymeski is a patient at the Whitinsville Hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery, Kon. . . . Emile Guertin has purchased a new home in Rice City. We wish you many days of happiness in it, Emile. . . . John Paul Paulhus was happy to have his son Robert home on a seven-day furlough. Robert, formerly employed in Department 420, is in the Air Force and has left for Alaska. . . . Anniversary greetings are extended to Irene Croke and husband and to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Picard.

GENERAL MACHINING

by Jim Magowan and Ken Harrington

The big item this month is the farewell party given in honor of Tom Tycks. There was a large turnout of Tom's fellow workers to wish him success in his new job. He has been promoted from supervisor in Department 423 to assistant foreman of Department 426. Tom received a gift from his co-workers. The presentation was made by Divisional Superintendent Donald Sangster. The highlight of the entertainment was furnished by "Uncle Fred" Robertson who played several Scottish tunes on the bagpipe. On his last two numbers he was accompanied by "Ockie" Menard and his orchestra. And believe me, folks, it was grand entertainment.

We have heard some great fish stories but John Malley came out with the best one. John reports he was fishing one night with an illuminated plug. On one of his casts the line stayed in the air and started going skyward. On investigating John found h had an owl on the end of the line. He lo both the plug and the owl when he foun it necessary to cut the line.

We extend our best wishes to Mr. an Mrs. Arthur Mikulsky on their weddin anniversary.

Tam Tycks recently was promoted ta Assistant Foreman af Department 426 Danald Sangster is shown presenting gift to Tom at a party given in his hanor

Amang thase at the party honaring Tam Tycks were Pete Bawitch, Bill Smith, Clarence Visser, John Megerdichian, Harry Kazerian, and Arthur Raireau

MYSTERY PHOTO—Stephen Machaian, Comber Small Parts Department, was the employee in the September Mystery Phota. Whitinsville peaple should recognize the man an the right

CARPENTER SHOP AND MISCELLANEOUS WOOD WORK

by Frank Ruo, Jr.

Personality of the Month: Carroll Gil supervisor of Department 441, was bor 61 years ago in Walden, Vermont. He grev up and went to school there. At the age o 26, Carroll moved to Whitinsville, but hi stay was not for long. In July of 1919 h sought adventure and went to the Canadia Northwest to work in a lumber camp. Th rugged life of a lumber camp was never lik home, so after one year he came back t Whitins. This is where he has been since On September 17, 1923 he was married t the former Mary Latimore from North Uxbridge. They have a son, Carroll, Jr., who works in Department 489. Carroll, Sr. and Jr. and Mrs. Gile live peacefully in thei own home on Border Street. That's wher you will find Carroll, Sr., listening to his favorite sports, baseball games and boxing matches.

We welcome back to the Shop and department "Andy" Cahill who was injured by an automobile seven months ago. Nice to se him around on the job. . . . "Al" Mygard, assistant foreman of 441, who has been checking on the department temperature for 11 years, said that on September 1, 96 degrees took first place in his books. I'm sure no one will ever forget that day. . . Joe Zito, Department 466, fell off the roof of the new home that he is building. We all wish him a quick recovery from his sprained foot.

COMBER JOB

by Terry Merolli

Cpl. Cosmo Valente, son of Ray Valente of Department 424, has been promoted to

Exanapha (Eddie) Letaurneau retired in July after accumulating 52 years of service at the Whitin Machine Works. Mr. P. B. Walker presented Eddie with a purse

velyn Greene, Peg Devlin's daughter-in-low, has eft for Hawaii to be with her husband William. hown with the couple is their nephew, Bobby

hief instructor and supervisor of musical raining at the Army Band School, Fort Dix, New Jersey. In addition to his new duties, Cosmo, who formerly worked in Department 451, will remain with the dance rchestra heard weekly over television and adio. Before entering the service he was lso a music teacher in Marlboro and oprated the Valente School of Music in Milord. . . . M. Murray, setup man, and R. Wilson, apprentice, are new to the department. Welcome, boys! . . . We wish uck to Ted Podles, who has left to work nd eventually make his home in Connecticut. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kooistra enterained their children recently. It was the irst time in three years that the entire family ad been together. Andrew teaches art in Ellenville, New York; Philip, home on urlough with his wife, is with the Air Force n Texas; and Sylvia and her husband live n Michigan. It was a happy occasion for ll. . . . Birthday greetings for the month o to Hector Chase, Alex Kieronski, Frank Greene, Bob Hopkins, Charlie Machoian, Andy Hoekstra, and Terry Merolli.

SHEET METAL, PAINT, AND CREEL JOBS

by Claude R. Bolduc

The Tin Job held their semi-annual party t the N.V. Cafe, North Uxbridge, on September 30. A steak supper was served ollowed by entertainment. . . . On Labor Day week end Marc Bolduc went to Old Orchard Beach, Maine; Ross Rajotte and amily took a motor trip to Provincetown; ut most of the boys stayed at home. Albert Lucier repaired damages to his house which were caused by the June 9 tornado. . . . Returning to work in Department 452 after long illness are Joseph Jussume and Emile Duhamel. . . . Newcomer to the Paint Job is Rosil Larson from Millville. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ross Rajotte celebrated their ighth wedding anniversary on September 5. . . . Charlie Wilson, Walter Misiuk, nd John Rumonowski were recently transerred to Department 466. . . . Wilfred Frayne has returned to work after a brief llness.

Eleanor Steber

Alec Templeton

14 SOLOISTS TO SING AT MUSIC FESTIVAL

Residents of this area will have a chance to hear 14 outstanding soloists at the 94th Worcester Music Festival held in the Auditorium, Worcester, October 19 through October 24. For the tenth consecutive year the Philadelphia Orchestra will participate in the six-concert series which features the 350 mixed voices of the Worcester Festival Chorus.

Twelve of the 14 soloists are vocalists. The instrumentalists will be William R. Smith of the Philadelphia Orchestra and Alec Templeton, both pianists. Three Metropolitan Opera Company soloists will be Eleanor Steber, soprano, who will make her third festival appearance; Herva Nelli, soprano, and Kurt Baum, tenor. Other soloists will be Hugh Thompson, for seven years a leading baritone in the Metropolitan Opera Company; Luis Pichardo, Cuban basso; Harold Haugh, oratorio tenor, who sang at the 1948 festival; Kenneth Smith, bass-baritone of opera and television; Rita Kolacz, soprano, who sang with Co-Opera and Civic Opera Company; Lester Englander, baritone, who has sung frequently with the Philadelphia Orchestra. Also, Wesley Copplestone, tenor; Beverley Wolff, contralto; Lillian Miskavich, student contralto and Worcester native who will sing at the concert for young people on Saturday morning.

Ticket prices for the five evening concerts range from $3.60 to $1.20. Adult tickets for the young people's concert on Saturday morning will be $1.50 and the children's tickets will be $.60. Tickets are available at the Festival Office, Auditorium, Worcester.

The Providence Section of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers visited our plant on September 16. About 30 members toured the plant and Research Division, had dinner at the Uxbridge Inn, and heard Robert A. Hargreaves speak on "Talerance—1% of Nothing"

Bill Molley, Ring Job Personality of the Month, is pictured with two of his favorite animals

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

In the last issue we spoke of a praying mantis that paid a visit to our department via Celia Baker's table. This month in Celia's bird sanctuary a parakeet appeared with the other birds to eat leftovers which Celia brings in from time to time. Has anyone lost a parakeet?

We must have more news if we want the Ring Job to occupy space in the SPINDLE. News must be of general interest and not confined to small items of interest to only one or two. For instance: If Clinton Babson took a trip to Gloucester over a week 'end, that would only interest a few; but if Clint won a prize for catching the largest fish while on a fishing trip at Gloucester that would be news of interest to all. Let's have more news.

Back on the job are Jennie Baker, Joe Thibeault, and Al Boisvert who worked in other departments when business slackened a little. . . . We welcome a new trucker Philip Manseau who comes to us from 466. . . . At this writing, Chet Clark has been out sick for a couple of weeks. We wish him a speedy recovery.

William H. Malley, our genial timekeeper, is our personality this month. Bill lives at 70 High Street, Uxbridge, where he was born. He has been married ten years in October to Esther Hosey of Worcester. Bill is a graduate of Uxbridge High School and also attended Bryant and Stratton Business College. His first job was with Swift and Company. He opened a shoe store in Uxbridge in 1923 and later one in Whitinsville. Bill also sold insurance and was assistant superintendent for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. His next job was with a chemical company and from there he went to Labrador as a purchasing agent for a contracting company. In World War II, he saw service with 405th Fighter Group in England, France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany. He started with Whitin in 1946. His favorite hobby is riding and caring for his 12 horses at his riding academy in Uxbridge. He has 371 pupils who take lessons regularly. One of his horses is a New England champion high jumper with a record of six feet eight inches.

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREWS

by Bill Scanlon

Some of the fellows took trips during the September holiday. Pat Convent went to Pennsylvania and while there took in the Allegheny Fair. . . . Alex St. Germaine took a trip to Canada and visited the Thousand Islands. . . . Norman Peters went to Washington, D. C. . . . A. J. Pellerin and Gene Ethier both went to Sorel, Canada, and neither one knew that the other was there.

Chippy Potvin is back on his old job as repair man in the Whitin garage. He has been on a leave of absence for three months. The gang is glad to see him back. . . . Donald White has left Charlie Common's Department to go into the Foundry as an apprentice. The fellows wish him well. . . . Eugene Roy has been transferred from the lumber yard to outside maintenance. . . . If anyone is bothered by woodchucks, contact Charlie Commons or Pete Prymak as both excel at exterminating them. . . . Bob Richards and family have returned from Kansas where they spent two weeks' vacation.

PLANT LAYOUT, MILLWRIGHTS, AND TRUCKING DEPARTMENTS

by Violet Cichonski

James MacLean of Plant Layout and his wife Janet, of the Production Department, are celebrating their first wedding anniversary the 27th of this month. . . . Happy birthday wishes to Joseph Hebert and Lionel Henault. . . . Jacob Wiersma now does trucking on the night shift and "paints the town" during the day. Jake has paintin as a sideline, so if anyone wants a good pai job done, Jake is your man. . . . Durin Joseph Hebert's absence, Francis Bouch has taken his place as helper to Henry Plant . . . Bill McGuire, truck dispatcher 407, has another car. A certain perso reports he saw Bill's "Old Faithful" bei taken to the junk yard. Don't feel too bad about parting with the Plymouth, Bill; w feel sure your new car will break down ju like the old one. . . . Oscar Turgeon receiving a lot of kidding from the mil wrights. They told Oscar the next time I invited them out to dinner to be sure I had his wallet and his own car.

This two-gun cowpoke leaning on the old corral is Tony Sabatino, formerly of the Spinning Erecting Floor, Department 448A, and now employed with a television service unit in Galveston, Texas

This is the home that Philip Manseau, Maintenan Department, built for himself in Mendon. It demo strates that a man can build his own home

SPINNING, CARD ERECTING AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

By the time of publication of this issu of the SPINDLE, all Yankee and Red So rooters will have settled up. Mario Colabell will have the refrigerator issue settled, Joh Walker his outside painting contract con pleted, "Red" DeJong his car washing ov with, with a firm avowal of wearing h bathing suit the next time. He fell in th pond fully clothed on his last experienc . . . It seems a little strange to wal around these departments and to see s many faces missing. Hope business wi soon warrant their return. . . . Celebrat ing birthdays in August were Jim Strachan Denis Cournoyer, Armand St. Andre, Willian Rutana, Bob Williams, John Baldyga, Ro Krumbholz, and William Muse. . . . I September wedding and birthday anniver saries were celebrated by Ernest Pickup Edward Baker, Leo Bellville, Alfred Leblanc Francis Horan, John Walker, Robert Roy and Joe Ganvin. . . . Bill Leclaire look good with that deep Maine tan develope during his fishing trip there. . . . Be Scott has quite a name sign on his front lawn

PAYROLL COMPUTATION, TABULATING, BUDGETS, STATEMENTS AND OFFICE TIMEKEEPING

by Phyllis McQuilkin

Summer has passed and fall is officially on its colorful way bringing forth birthday wishes to Isabel Kasparian, Victoria Roy

Eva Lundberg, Edward McLaughlin, and ours truly. . . . Ruth Kelliher seemed uite happy to return to work in an air-onditioned office after a trip to Buffalo, ew York. The temperature stayed at a igh of 92°. Ruth claims she was uncom-ortable. We can't understand why! . . Margaret Crosby spent a few days at the ape with her husband and daughter during er week's vacation. From all reports she ad a very pleasant time. . . . Edith ishop, lucky girl, went to Miami, Florida, r a week to visit her aunt and uncle. Edith ad a pleasant trip and enjoyed every inute of her stay in Florida.

Frank Cassidy, timekeeper in Department 39, was awarded thirteen blue ribbons and hree red ribbons for vegetables and flowers, n August 29, in the Garden Club Exhibition the Gym. Congratulations, Frank. . . . Florence, Italy, Margaret and Claire assidy of Uxbridge presented Mayor aPira of Florence, with the keys of the city Worcester, Massachusetts. They are udying in Italy. Claire is recording folk ngs and Margaret is a sculptress. . . . e extend our best wishes to Victor Hendry ho has left the department to take up sidence in New York City. Much success nd happiness, Victor.

OST DEPARTMENT

y Dick Hanny and leve Reynolds

A couple of our girls really got around is past month. Val Allega left September for a month's visit to California, taking all the amazing and interesting scenes of ur great land. Lillian Kollett, as reported sewhere, won a week's trip to Miami each, Florida. . . . Florence LeBeau ins the "53" Club with a new Studebaker. . . Herb Barnes received his 20-year pin September 18. . . Understand Don ac would be only too pleased to accommo-ate anyone interested in cyclone fences.

lian M. Kollett, Cost Department, winner of the ing and Queen for a Week" contest sponsored the Whitinsville Chamber of Commerce, has turned from her trip to Miami with a becoming ntan. The young lady from Uxbridge, accom-nied by her fiance, Douglas Follett, flew from ston to Miami for an oll-expenses-paid vocation

From Department 429 comes this picture of Dave Clark poying an election bet after the Hoover-Roosevelt election of 1932. There was a slight delay in the mails

. . . Ted Fronczak was elected president of the Mr. and Mrs. Club of the Polish National Catholic Church of Our Saviour, Woonsocket. . . . John Chatty made his second TV appearance on September 28 as master of ceremonies and host for "Portrait of Rhode Island." He presented a résumé of the activities of the Woonsocket Schoolboy Junior Police, sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. . . . Leo and Mrs. Imondi celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary last month. . . . Pauline Hagan and Lucien Horent celebrated birthdays.

METHODS DEPARTMENT

by Jean Cunningham

We are fortunate to have George Shaw working in the office. He has recently been appointed a county editor of "News Letter," the publication of Worcester Chapter, National Association of Cost Accountants. . . . Have you noticed Sam and Charlie Mateer going home at night from work? They do have good reason for rushing out the door, for they can't wait to change into old clothes and dash up the road to work on their new printing establishment. It is a very nice looking building and they deserve a lot of credit. . . . Sid Buma is enjoying his new Pontiac. He and his family enjoy many a ride. Sid feels that it rides much better than his former car. . . . Two steak roasts were enjoyed by the men of the office at Purgatory during the past few weeks. There were no complaints about the cooking as each one cooked his own.

We have discovered that when people say "hello" to Lydia Hickey her answer is "nope." We are still trying to find out the connection between the two. . . . Captain and Mrs. McGilpin spent a vacation with Mrs. McGilpin's parents, Charles and Mrs. Mateer. Captain William McGilpin is stationed at Baltimore and lives in Annapolis. Charlie got a big kick out of seeing his year-and-one-half-old grandson, Robert McGilpin.

The Mateer boys are really in the news this month. Pat Mateer walked home from work the other night. On his way back to the Shop he met one of the girls from the Office. He told her he thought something would have to be done, for he had left his car parked near the Shop.

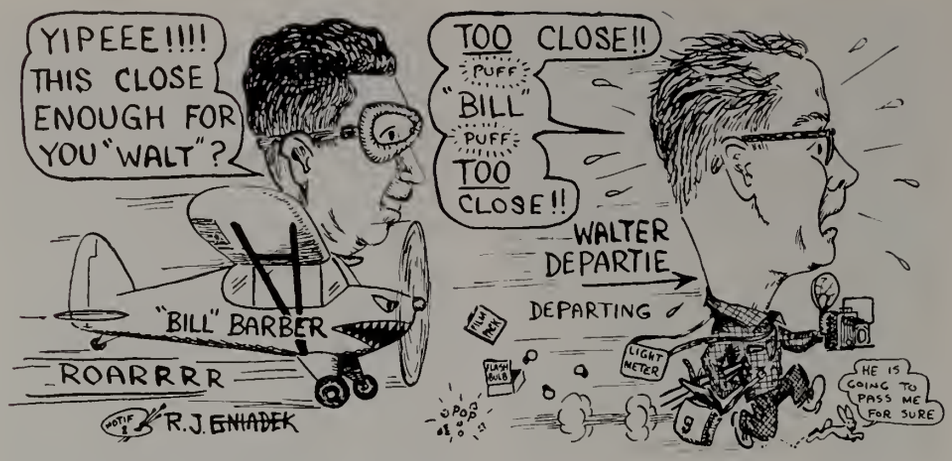
New officers for the Benefit Club were elected and a new charter, which seems to meet with everyone's agreement, drawn up. Bill Neulieb was elected president; George Shaw, vice-president; Paul Wheeler, treasurer; and Helen Altoonian, secretary. . . . Many happy returns of the day go to Charlie Mateer, Jenny Polek, Roy Worthington and Emmet Martin who celebrate their birthdays this month. . . . Also happy anniversary to Frank and Mrs. DeHaas, who celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary this month; to Joe and Mrs. Bouley, who celebrate their 19th wedding anniversary; to Al Cowburn and Mrs. Cowburn who celebrate their 32nd anniversary; and to Benjamin Musket and Mrs. Musket who celebrate their 22nd anniversary.

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Tad Wallace and Dorsey Devlin

On September 25, we said adieu to Jimmy Jones who has retired after completing 44 years at Whitin. He started working on the Old Bolster Job in June, 1909, later transferred to the Semi-Automatic Job for Hamilton Walker and eventually found his way to the Screw Job, Department 411, where he spent nearly 29 years before coming to Production as a central planner in 1948. Jimmy was guest of honor at a little farewell dinner the night before he retired. This affair, attended by about 30 friends, was held at the Standish House in Auburn at which time Jim was presented with a gift by F. O. Rizer, production manager. It was a good party well planned by Jack Gilchrist and Sal Tumolo who headed the arrangement committee. Jim was also the recipient of a purse from the office staff on the day of his retirement. We queried Jim a bit on his future plans, and found

Have you tried roller skotes Carol?



Who said Walter DePartie couldn't run? The day he tried to take a picture of Bill Barber landing his plane one would have thought he was making an Olympic tryout

that he plans to rest, pursue his pet hobby of painting, and is currently engaged in making puppets. While talking to Jim we learned that he had for many years held a position of cartoonist for the old SPINDLE. We all wish Jimmy much happiness in his retirement and hope that on occasions he will drop in and say hello to his many friends in the office.

"Red" Adams while only an innocent bystander at an auction recently looked over the crowd and saw his buddy Jack Gilchrist. Red being neighborly waved at Jack and as he did, the auctioneer said, "Sold for $1.00." Red didn't know what happened until the auctioneer's assistant went over to him with a slightly used hacksaw and demanded the buck. Red says Jack was in "cahoots" with the auctioneer and vows that some day he'll get even, even if he has to "rent" the hacksaw to one of his neighbors.

Sunny (?) California has lured another of our employees as Esther Ranslow of Master Route Section departed in late August. Esther received many nice gifts from her friends on the day she left our employ. . . . Recent recipients of service pins are as follows: five years—Tom Taylor, "Lefty" Kellaher, Nancy Fisher, Normand St. Pierre, Robert Bethel, Joan Murphy, and Adrien Cagnon; 10 years—Yvonne Morven. Congratulations, folks.

A tip of our collective hats to Editor Norm Wright in helping to start the project for retired personnel, repairing toys, etc. This is probably one of the most unique undertakings to date and is worthy of our interest. With the skills possessed by some of these men, it should be a real fine project. Best of luck to all who are connected with it.

We wondered what happened to the daily baseball controversies that used to take place around the office, and the secret recently came out when we discovered that Vic Romasco and Bill Kearnan are taking golf lessons from Jim Kane and Hank Cant. Joe Tosches and Pat Vipraio are awaiting a crack at our two new "pros" but as yet the handicap is not right. It might be a good idea for Bill and Vic to steer clear of Ray Duggan and "Danno" Mahoney until they can sign up Phil Finn's caddy, Louie.

The Women's Softball League held their annual banquet at the Colonial Club in Webster on the evening of September 10. Trophies were presented to the champions, Curries Cuties, and runners-up, Red Wings, by Dorsey Devlin, coach of Ticks Chicks, who served as master of ceremonies. Seated at the head table were managers Dot Antoia of the Red Wings, Betty Bisson of Curries Cuties, Patty Duggan of Ticks Chicks, Jane Bishop of Boltons Swifty Links and Dorsey and Laura Devlin.

Some of the girls in the Women's Bowling League spent the Labor Day week end in New York City. Here we see them being serenaded at Zimmerman's Hungarian Restaurant. Seated from the left: Agnes Spence, Louise Oolovgian, Wondo Jonton, and Millie Turgeon. Standing: Sara Der Sarkisian, Veranica Mahoney (violinist), Rose Coporole and Lillian Scatt

MAIN OFFICE

by Gloria Marshall

Let's begin this month by sending best wishes for very happy birthdays to: Ann Hammond, Jay Bishop, Arthur Vincent, Fran Guertin, Ruth Marshall, Eva O'Keefe, Gordon G. Spence, Leonard White, Esther Anderson, Florence Tupper, Charles Peirce and, last but by no means least, Mr. Ralph E. Lincoln. May he and all of you have many more. . . . Those who are singing the "Anniversary Song" for the month of October are: George Kellstrand, Thelma Meader, Albert Callens, Thomas Driscoll, Lewis Burns, Laurence Fuller, James Colhart, Thomas Crawford, Gordon Rankin, Dick Conlee, and Norman Shaw. Congratulations to all of you!

Some lucky people have just finished taking some very enjoyable vacations. Florence Tupper and her husband took a motor trip which began by their going up to Maine and from there on to New Brunswick, Canada, and then back to the good old state of Massachusetts out to the very end of Cape Cod—Provincetown. We are sorry to hear that they had to cut their vacation short because of the illness of Florence's mother. . . . Roy Rollins is very happy and smiling these days—and why not? He received a nice surprise when his daughter Marilyn flew home from California to spend a month with her family. Marilyn is a student nurse at the Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital in Los Angeles. While she was home, Roy, Mrs. Rollins, and Marilyn motored down to Ardmore, Maryland, to see their son and brother, Bill Rollins and his family. Bill is a member of the U.S.A.F. and is stationed at Andrews Field, Maryland. Both Bill and Marilyn formerly worked in the Main Office. . . . Bryant Nichols spent a pleasant week end at Oakledge Manor, Burlington, Vermont with his wife and their daughter and her family. If anyone is looking for a place to spend a nice quiet week end with the best of food, etc., Mr. Nichols highly recommends Oakledge Manor.

I recently received a card from Arlene Buker who spent the summer up at Tacoma Lake, Litchfield, Maine. Arlene says she had a grand time and really enjoyed herself this year thanks to the swimming lessons she had at the Whitius Gym during the past winter. . . . Gene Massey, former mail carrier, dropped in to say hello while on leave from his duties with the U.S.A.F. Gene is stationed in Wyoming. . . . Our best wishes to Martha Marshall while she is on leave. We will all miss Martha's cheerful "hello" and we hope she will be back with us soon. . . . This is the time of year to get out and enjoy the beautiful New England scenery. Many people are planning to drive over the Mohawk Trail and up through the mountain areas of New Hampshire and Vermont. If you are among these week end travelers, won't you try to bring back some pictures for future issues of the SPINDLE.

VAGE STANDARDS

John Romasco

This month's column starts quite appro-iately with a girl who has been with us few years and is considered one of the best l softball pitchers in this locality. With e season's end Miss Marilyn Blair was esented a beautiful pen stand with clock unting by all her teammates for her mendous work with the Red Wings soft-ll team. If any of you have seen Marilyn ch you can readily see why the honor was stowed. Best wishes from this corner, arilyn, and keep chuckin' 'em.

A few members of our office have joined select group of people who are parakeet ners. In the opinion of most of them, it quite a bird, but take it from Phil Kozak "Don't let him out of the cage"—because you do it might require the services of a net to corral him and get him back. Ed worth has better luck with his bird, but w to start him talking is another question.

We are very happy to report that Mrs. zabeth Brown has returned to her home er being hospitalized and will return to rk shortly. . . . How do you like the w look on Jennie Cahill, our crib gal? . . . lph Stinson, vice-president of the Worces-Society of Industrial Engineers, reports interesting and varied program for the t of the year and invites all who are erested to attend. . . . One Saturday rning, "Babe" Rosa raced through the k lots near his home in an attempt to ch a truck which he thought would pick the many stacks of newspapers he had umulated in his cellar. When Babe ved at the truck puffed and tired he lized that he had been chasing a furniture re truck which was delivering mattresses ne of his neighbors.

EPAIR SALES DEPARTMENT

Joyce Rondeau

A housewarming was given Sylvia Simo-n, recently, by a group of friends. Sylvia moved to 13 B Street. . . . A miscella-us shower was held for Fran VonFlatern the home of Lucille Buma on September 1953. Fran is being married to Earl istopher on October 10. They will make ir new home in Newark, New Jersey. Mrs. Betty Valk has left the office a leave of absence. We hope you'll be ing better soon, Betty. . . . Reggie istra recently visited the office; Reggie her husband now make their home in iston, Texas, where Phil is stationed in Air Force. . . . Edna L'Esperance tioned at the Pocono Mountains in nsylvania. . . . Dick Cunningham t his vacation at Squam Lake, New npshire. . . . Joanne Miedema spent vacation at home, but visited New Jersey r Labor Day week end. . . . Therese well held a spaghetti dinner honoring VonFlatern at her home in East iglas. . . . There have been many ges in the office recently. We wish Tom rshall, Orrin Austin, Edna L'Esperance, Marion Merchant the best of luck with r new jobs. We also bid farewell to ry Thomas who has left the Repair e to work with Mr. J. H. Bolton, Jr., in the Sales Department. A happy birthday this month to Therese Caswell, Edna L'Esperance, Dick Cunningham, Madeleine Leaver, and Alice DerTorosian. . . . We also have many wedding anniversaries this month: Congratulations to Bob McKaig, Lucille Buma, Ray Adams, Dick Cunningham, Jim Marshall, Herb Lightbown, John Alden, Edna L'Esperance, Betty Valk, and Joyce Rondeau.

To Emil Zywien, Tool Design, and Mrs. Zywien, a son, Michael, eight pounds 13 ounces, born at Whitinsville Hospital on September 11.

To Kenneth Hutchinson, Department 434, and Mrs. Hutchinson, a daughter, Joan Elaine, weight seven pounds four ounces, at Worcester Memorial Hospital on July 11.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Briggs, 10 Central Street, Whitinsville, a son, John Henry, at the Whitinsville Hospital on September 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sullivan, a son, Paul Michael, eight pounds seven ounces, at the Woonsocket Hospital, August 19.

To Alfred Gardener, Spindle Job, and Mrs. Gardener, formerly of the Freight House Office, a daughter, Deborah Alane, on September 18.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Arsenault, a son, Michael John, weight eight pounds two ounces, on September 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rodomoniek, a son, Stephen Edward, weight seven pounds seven ounces, at the Hahnemann Hospital on August 27.

To Alfred Matte, Planner in Department 420, and Mrs. Matte, a son, Robert Henry, born August 24.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roland Laliberte, a son, Randall, nine pounds, at the Woonsocket Hospital, August 8.

To Mr. and Mrs. Francis Boucher, a daughter, Gloria Ann, at the Whitinsville Hospital, September 11.

On September 12, Miss Catherine Bliss became the bride of Albert Ballou, Crib 23, at Sacred Heart Church in Hopedale. Reception was held at the Lombardi Club in Milford. They will reside at 262 Main Street, Milford, Mass.

William R. Blizard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Blizard, and Pauline Thibault, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Thibault of Rockdale, were married on September 7, in St. Peter's Church in Rockdale. William formerly worked in Department 466, and is now in the U. S. Navy. His father is foreman of Department 450.

Robert Lariviere, Department 424, and Lucille Brissette were married at the Holy Family Church, Woonsocket, Rhode Island, on September 5.

Arthur Langelier married to Doris Landry of Blackstone, at St. Theresa's Church, East Blackstone on September 7.

Marlene Zenriek married to Charles Willard, Jr., on September 12 at the United Presbyterian Church, Whitinsville.

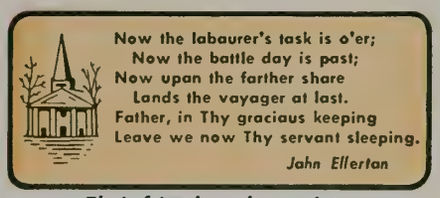
Stacia Mucha will be married to Joseph Susienka on October 17 at St. Augustine Church, Millville, Mass.

Alden Allen, Department 401, and Margaret Costello of Wakefield were married in Wakefield, October 4.

Miss Barbara Ann Smith married to Earl Fox, Jr., in Our Lady of Good Help Church in Mapleville, Rhode Island, September 5

Miss Jocelyn Taylor married to James Shaw, of the Cost Department, at Trinity Episcopal Church, Whitinsville, September 26.

Gaston Ayotte, Jr., married to Diana Beauregard at St. Ann's Church, Woonsocket, September 26.



Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Survivors of Fred Haley who died on September 15.

Family of the late Mrs. Thomas Wallace who died on August 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin on the recent death of Mr. Louis Stoll, father of Mrs. Martin.

Joseph Hebert, Department 407, on the death of his father September 15.

Wasyl Kaschouba, Department 407, on the death of his father on August 6.

Armand Poulin, Department 407, on the death of his sister, Mrs. Houle, on September 1.

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who leaves tools where they may injure someone

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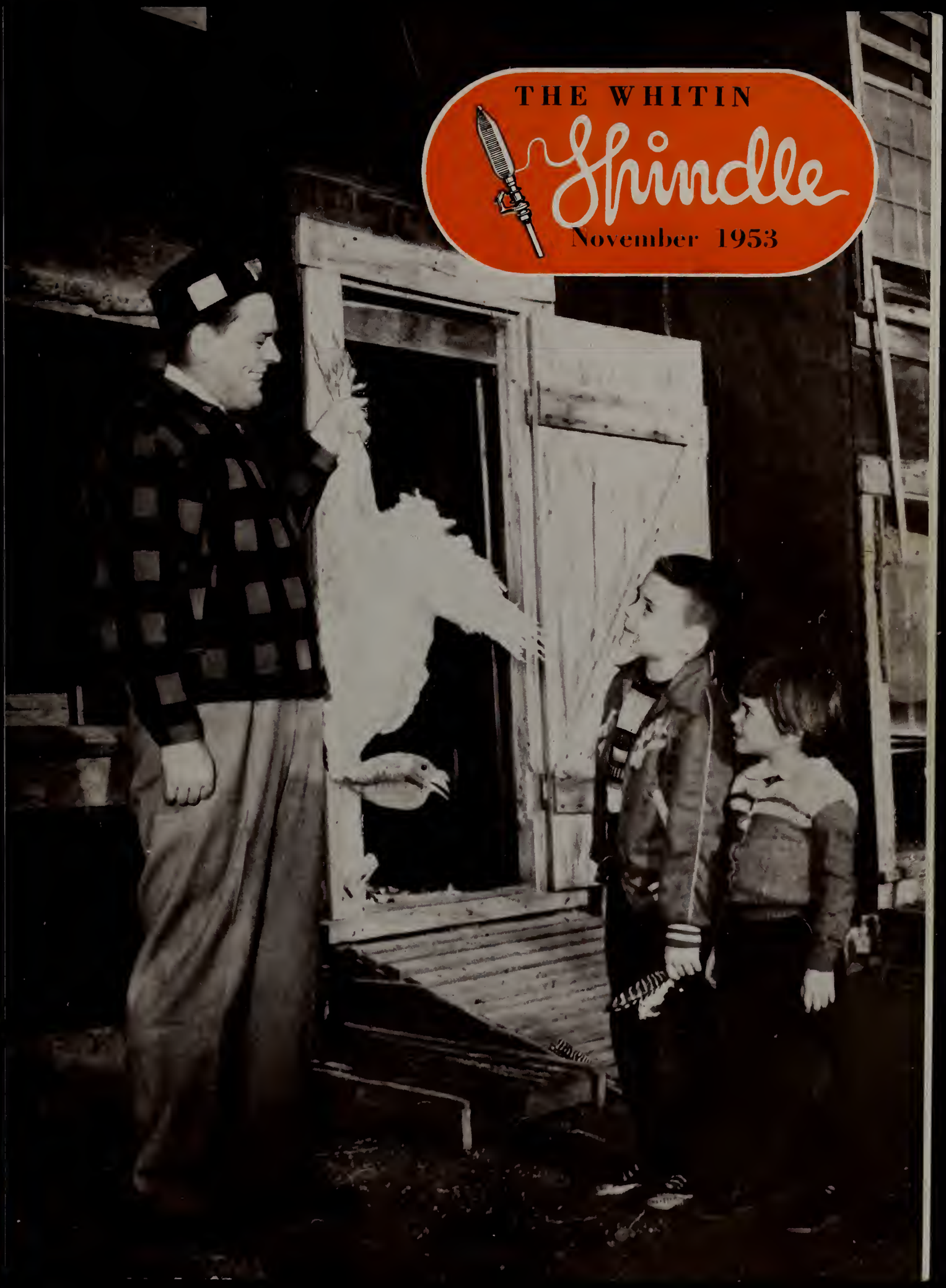


Familiar Faces

Around the Plant

Lawrence Gilmore, Wood Pattern Maker, has one son and three daughters. His hobbies include sailing, camping, and trout fishing

Eugene Thomas, Balster Job, started at Whitin in 1917. He lives in Upton and has a son on the Gear Job. A daughter lives in Pascoag, R. I.

Irene Croke, Clerk in Stock Room 406, lives in Uxbridge and has been with Whitin for 11 years. Irene is a baseball fan and she enjoys swimming

Marion Metcalf, Time Clerk in Department 448, lives in Whitinsville and has one son and one daughter. Knitting is one of her hobbies

Peter Ledoux has worked for five foremen since he first started on the Chuck Job in 1906. He lives in Whitinsville and has three sons and a daughter

Joseph Baillargeon, Core Room, has two sons, two daughters, and 11 grandchildren. He is 75 years young and his hobby is fishing

Albert Johnson, Foundry Locker Room Attendant, lists photography and gardening as his favorite hobbies. He lives in Whitinsville with his sister

The True Test of Whitin Craftsmanship—

Final Assembly

Comber and Knitting Machine Erection

FROM Foundry and machining departments precision-ilt parts and sub-assemblies, shaped on modern ma-ines by the skilled hands of Whitin workers, flow to e erecting floors. Much depends on the conscientious re with which the craftsmen on these floors fit and semble these parts, for the work they do is the final terminant of Whitin quality.

Typical of the erecting floors is Department 445 where e famed Model "J" Combers, Tricot Knitters and Floor rinders are assembled. Parts for the combers are achined in Department 424, a job described in the ctober issue of the SPINDLE. Parts for the knitting achines are manufactured in Department 422. After mpletion these parts are forwarded to the Comber ecting Floor where the deft hands of the fitters soon

Above: This is the way a Comber looks in the first stages of assembly. Amio Audio, on the left, and Archie Fournier line up the intermediate stands. Here, as elsewhere on the Model "J," the work is ta close tolerances

Left: Each Comber has o footend which contoins the mechanism for dividing the cotton into twa stronds and plocing them in o con. Joseph Limanek, on the left, and Richard Felsen, a senior employee, insert the draw box assembly in the footend

build them into quality machines for the textile industry.

At the present time the bulk of the work is on the Model "J." The men who build this precision Comber point out that it must be disheartening to our competitors to try to match the performance of this masterpiece. Equipped with a "one shot" oiling system, this cleanly-designed almost-vibrationless comber runs 150 nips a minute as against about 120 for some other makes.

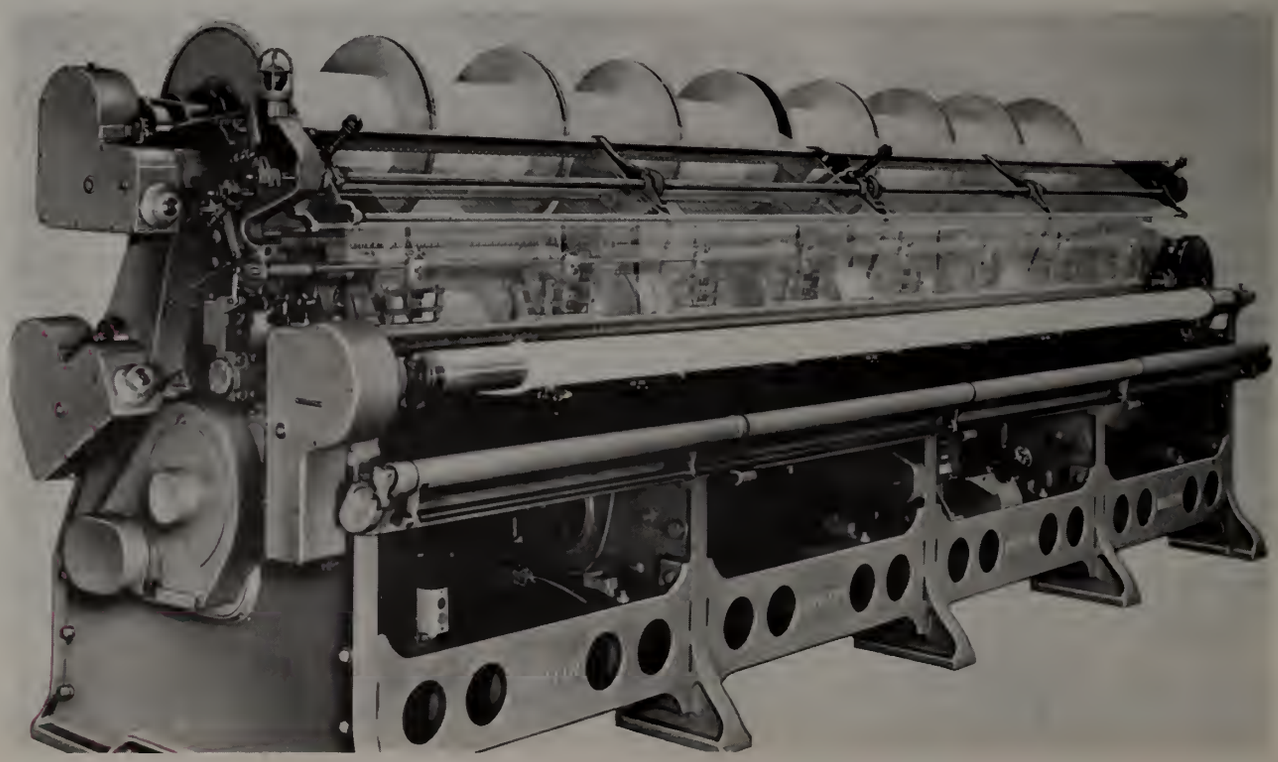
At the time of writing, Foreman James Spence and Assistant Foreman Robert Holmes had twenty men—thirteen workmen, four roadmen, and three apprentices—working with them. In usual circumstances the de-

Here we see the Model "J" Comber complete with stock and ready to operate

partment may keep as many as thirty men and six apprentices busy, for since the Model "J" was introduced in 1948 they have produced about 625 combers, and at times have also assembled as many as four knitters a week. In addition, space is being cleared and provisions made for the assembly of the newly developed Roto-Drafter.

The first step in the assembly of the comber look simple, for the sampsons are attached to the table an the assembly leveled up. It is simple—the catch is tha the tolerance from one end of the shafts to the other en of the machine is .002" and the entire machine is almos perfectly in line. Because of the precision with whic the parts are machined little fitting is required.

This is how the Model "D" Tricot Knitting Machine looks in operation in the mills

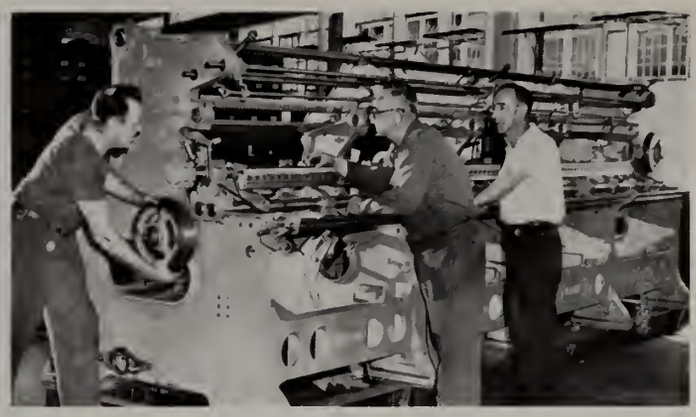


The lining up is often done by Amio Audio and Archie Fournier, who also install the intermediate stands and head and footends. At this time the "one shot" oiling system is put in place and carefully tested by Charles Roukema. Hugh Mateer, who like his Foreman and Assistant Foreman comes from Belfast, Ireland, completes the assembly of the headend assisted by Stephen Koprusak or apprentice Vartkes Egsigian.

At the same time the assembly of the footend is completed by Richard Felsen assisted by Joseph Limanek. These men put the draw box in place and line it up. After Charles Harriman adds the creel supports and creel rods, Hugh Mateer puts the detaching rolls in place and completes the headend gearing. The sliver plate is then assembled to the machine by John Cunningham or Charles Roukema.

As he observed his crew of men, Foreman James Spence said proudly, "There is no better work done in the shop than is done by these men."

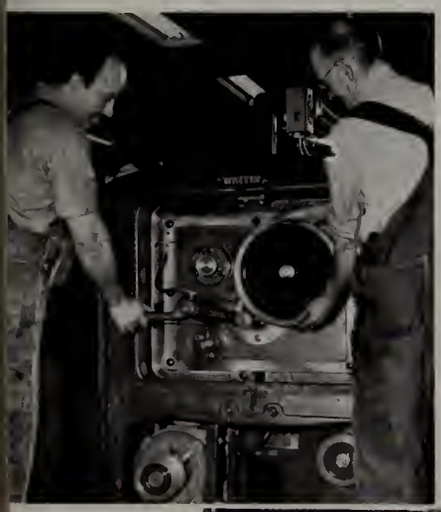
As the combers take shape beneath the hands of the men of Department 445, men from two other departments make their contribution to Whitin quality. S. Paul Hooyenga, a member of the Electrical Department, does all the wiring and testing. Of his work Mr. Spence said,



Another interesting machine assembled in this department is the Model "D" Tricot Knitter. John Cunningham operates the nearly completed machine by hand while Charles Harriman checks the motion of the needles and sinkers. Assistant Foreman Robert Holmes watches the process

Machines for the domestic trade are assembled and mounted on shoes for shipment to the mills. Machines for the foreign trade are assembled, dismantled, and packed here for shipment. Above are packers loading Comber footend into shipping crate. From the left: Supervisor Sid Dufries, Owen Ward and Alyre Lebrecque, packers, and James Spence, Foreman of the Comber Erecting floor

the headend of each Comber is the gearing and driving mechanism which controls the operation of the machine. Stephen Koprusak, a recent graduate of the Apprentice School, and Hugh Mateer complete the assembly of a headend



Below: Charles Roukema, assisted by roadman Basil Fisher, assembles a sliver plate. After assembly of headend machine will be well on its way to completion

"There has never been any complaint about the electrical system." Henry Lavienodiere, Department 452, does the painting, rubbing down a coat of filler and giving each machine two coats of green or gray paint.

In describing the Model "J" as a precision-built comber Harry Cowburn, divisional supervisor of inspection, said, "The machining on the headends and footends is so precise that these two units are interchangeable from one machine to another."

Foreman James Spence has been a Whitin employee since April 12, 1912. He and Mrs. Spence, the former Eleanor Hughes, were married on Columbus Day, 1911, and now live at 17 Spring Street, Whitinsville. The parents of Gordon L., Elizabeth, and Eleanor, they also have four grandchildren. As a hobby Jim rears racing pigeons, claiming that his fourteen birds "are good anywhere up to five hundred miles."

Assistant Foreman Robert Holmes, 14 Whitin Avenue, has been in the shop for thirty-three years, and has been Assistant Foreman since 1937. He and Mrs. Holmes, the former Margaret Gellatly, are the parents of two grown-up daughters, Betty and Phyllis. Bob is active in the United Presbyterian Church, and as hobbies reads English classics and does both fresh and salt water fishing.

In addition to the Foreman and Assistant Foreman there are several other senior employees in the department. Richard Felsen began work here in 1914, Hugh Mateer in 1922, and John Cunningham in 1931.

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TRULY AN AMERICAN CUSTOM

When Mother prepares Thanksgiving dinner, she is observing a tradition that dates back many years.

The first American Thanksgiving was held by the Pilgrims at Plymouth in 1621. Only 55 of the 101 colonists had survived the first winter in America. But summer brought good crops. When the harvesting was over, Governor Bradford sent four hunters into the woods to procure wild turkeys and other game birds. In one day the hunters bagged enough to last the colony for a week.

Chief Massasoit and 90 Indians were guests at the feast, which lasted for three days. The Indians contributed five deer to the menu.

The Colony of Connecticut held its first Thanksgiving in 1639. The Dutch in New Netherland, now New York, had their first official day of thanks in 1644.

During the American Revolution, the Continental Congress recommended annually that days of thanks be observed. In 1789 President Washington appointed a day of Thanksgiving after adoption of the Constitution. Since 1863 our Presidents have always issued a proclamation naming Thanksgiving Day.

Whitin Personality

At the age of three years Samuel Finney, of the Picker Job, left the roc ribbed state of Massachusetts for the green hills of Erin. Sam, who w born in Clinton, Massachusetts on June 22, 1880, lost his mother while h was still a small child. He was sent by his grieving father to Northern Irelan where he was reared by his grandmother.

Under the tender care of his grandmother Sam throve. As he grew to stalwart youth he dreamed of recrossing the Atlantic to rejoin his fathe This dream came true when he was eighteen. After six months in Chicop Falls, Sam and his father came to Whitinsville.

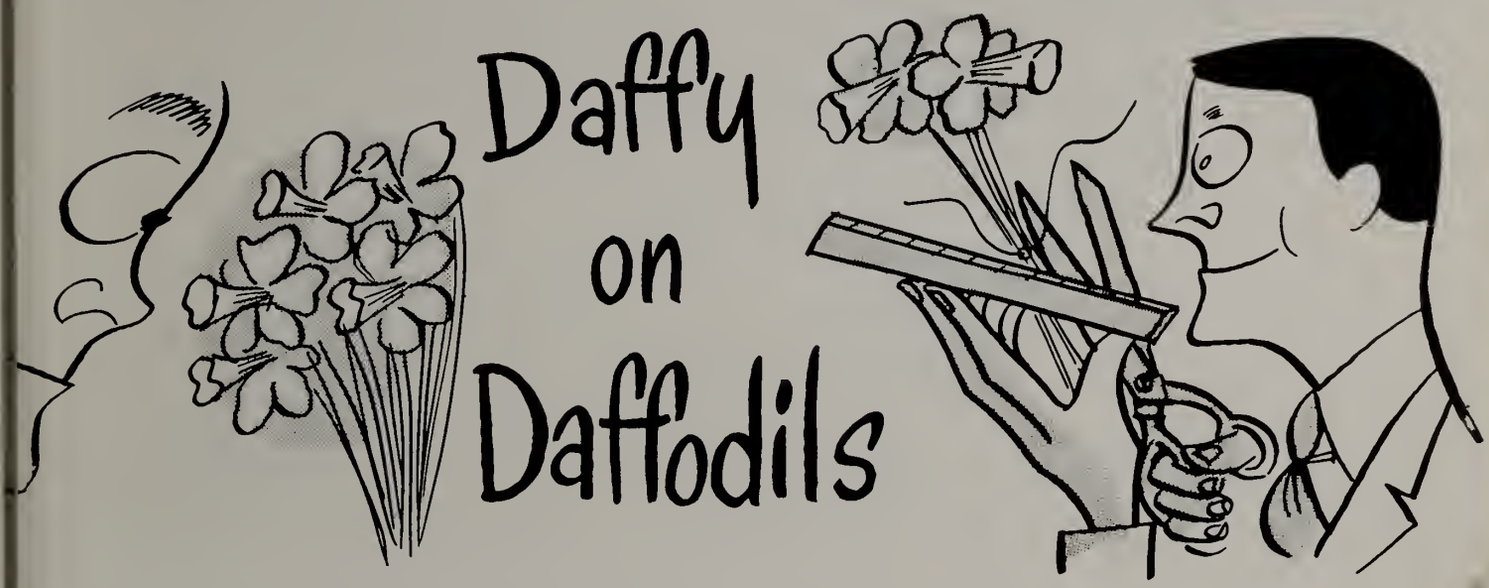
Sam worked a winter on the Bolster Job, which at that time was locat where the Shop Hospital is today. The following summer he worked as gardener, and in February, 1900, returned to the Shop to begin work c the Card Job. In those days only four or five men made parts for both Car and Pickers. Later when the Picker Job became a department in itself, Sa transferred to this job but continued to make parts for cards. For mo than forty of his fifty-three years at Whitin Sam has been responsible f covering with wire all Card Feed Rolls and Lickerin Rolls. Dick William Foreman of the Card Job, is well aware of the importance of a man wl performs well a particular job. Dick says, "The wire must be set in the ro right, and Sam Finney is the man who knows how to do it."

Sam has seen many changes since he began work here. The Picker J has increased its complement of employees from a mere handful to mo than 45 in normal times. Cards have increased from 40″ to 110″. As t years have passed Sam has worked for seven foremen.

Sam and Mrs. Finney, the former Flora Hill, live at 62 Overlook Stre Whitinsville. Sam, who was formerly an ardent hunter and fisherman, n spends his leisure hours reading, watching television, and caring for t attractive flower garden in his back yard.

FRONT COVER: Thanksgiving—the day we give thanks for our many blessings and the day we particularly enjoy turkey dinners, football games, and family reunions. At the Buker Turkey Farm, Richard Cunningham, Jr. and his sister Lynne Susan get a close-up view of the Gobbler picked out by their father.

WORTH THINKING ABOUT



Now that the trend in government is in the other direction, and the end of bureaucracy is in sight, the American people should find what comfort they can in the old rule that it never pays to cry over spilt milk.

Because *plenty has been spilled in the form of tax dollars during the past two decades* of new and fair-deal administrations.

Nor will all the facts be known about the operations of the hundreds of bureaus which flourished during those years, or the utterly silly schemes and suggestions foisted upon the public.

A new one has just come to light. It was a proposal by the $13,000-a-year head of a government bureau to issue United States standards for cut daffodils.

It was explained that each bunch should consist of 12 flowers, to be reasonably uniform in size. The flowers to be arranged so the blossoms form a compact head. The stems to be uniform in length and tied with a string or rubber band two to four inches from the cut ends of the stems.

There you have it. Another great economic problem has been solved, comparable to previous instructions on how to determine the sex life of a watermelon.

There seems to have been no limit to how far the average bureaucrat would go to turn a fast tax dollar. You might just as well laugh over it. That's all you'll get out of it.

Source: Wichita (Kans.) Eagle, March 6, 1953.

Support Efforts of the Eisenhower Administration to Cut Wasteful Federal Spending

Your Senators and Congressmen Should Have *Your* Views Now

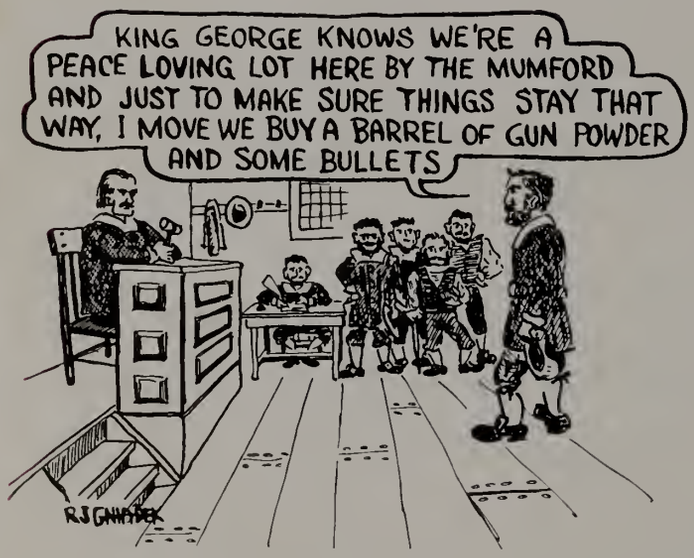
Nipmuck Indians

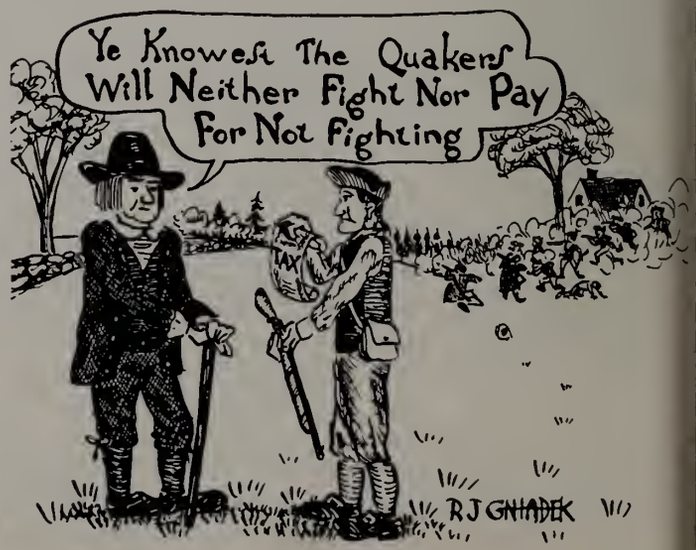
vs.

City Slickers

In the days when the Nipmuck tomahawks were among the leading causes of a splitting headache, the area around what is now Whitinsville was known as Masconsapong. The area was used as a hunting ground by an Indian tribe ruled by Great John. Seven residents in Braintree (a town near Boston) felt the situation should be remedied. They petitioned the General Court, and were authorized "for to purchase a title of the Indians, containing about eight miles square, about fifteen miles from Medfield town."

Thus it came about that on April 22, 1661, Peter Brackett and Ensign Moses Paine sat down with Great John and some of his friends to do a little early Yankee trading. While there is no record of the refreshments served, all the persons concerned went home happy. Great John bragged to his squaw how he'd outslicked the city slickers, for he'd got the top price of two dollars a square mile (scalper's prices). Brackett and Paine





eceived 300 acres each as a commission. The seven raintree residents who thought of the idea got, for "the summe of twenty-four pounds sterling" (about 57.60 at the present rate of exchange) all of what is now lendon, Blackstone, and Uxbridge, most of Northbridge nd Milford, part of Upton and Bellingham, and parts of ree other towns now in Rhode Island.

Settlers arrived in the fall of 1663 and within a few years ttle villages dotted the district. The Braintree residents ho held title to the area were fussy, and allowed only ose persons who owned a hundred pounds worth of roperty and were considered honest, upright men to ttle on their land. These settlers went to church and nt their children to school. In the early history of the rea there is the statement that among the first settlers there was scarce an idler or tavern-haunter."

A decade later, on July 14, 1675, a Nipmuck Indian arrior named Matoonas led a bloody attack on the early ttlers and killed five persons. Matoonas attacked the ttlers because they had killed his son. In return Captain aniel Hinchman ambushed the war party near Hasnamisco (now Grafton) and liquidated 20. The other dskins escaped into the swamps. When hostilities ceased e Nipmucks killed Matoonas for starting the trouble.

The settlers in what is now Uxbridge and Northbridge parated from Mendon on June 27, 1727. They gave as eir reason the fact that they had for many years "labored under great Difficulties, by Reason of their Remoteess from the Place of publick Worship in said Town." he same question, the location of a new meetinghouse, caused the split between Northbridge and Uxbridge on July 14, 1772.

Northbridge became a separate district on this date, and a legal town in 1786. Town lines were confused for many years, and some residents of Uxbridge and Sutton finally chose to add their farms to Northbridge. It is likely that the population of what is now Northbridge was about 300 people in 1761.

It is certain that the residents of the tract bought from Great John took an active part in the early history of our country. Between 26 and 35 fought in the French and Indian War. Some 118 fought in the Revolutionary War and the local Minute Men marched to Roxbury at the time of the Lexington alarm On August 25, 1774, the inhabitants of Northbridge delegated Dave Batchellor to purchase a barrel of gunpowder, lead for bullets, and flints. Only a few seem to have played any part in the War of 1812, but some 311 fought in the Civil War.

One group did not choose to fight at all. The Friends, or Quakers, arrived early and by 1793 there were 12 families of this faith in town. The town was assessed a tax to support the Revolutionary troops, a situation that ended in a draw, for the Quakers did not pay the tax, and the town refused to excuse them from the tax. That tax is, as far as known, still uncollected.

In the colonial period some iron was mined and smelted in this area. By about 1727 a forge for the refining of pig iron into bar iron was in operation "at the falls of the Mumford River," probably on land that is still used for metal working.

Above: Edward Wallace, Outside Erector, received an awar of $800 in October for suggesting that the nuts, bolts an washers used to build Spinning Frames and Twisters also b used to pack the machines. The presentation was made b President J. Hugh Bolton. From the left: David Longmu Acting Secretary of Suggestion Committee; George McRobert Superintendent of Erectors; John Cunningham, General Superin tendent; Edward Wallace, Erector; Erik Pierson, Works Mar ager; J. Hugh Bolton, President; and Frank N. Stone, Personne Director

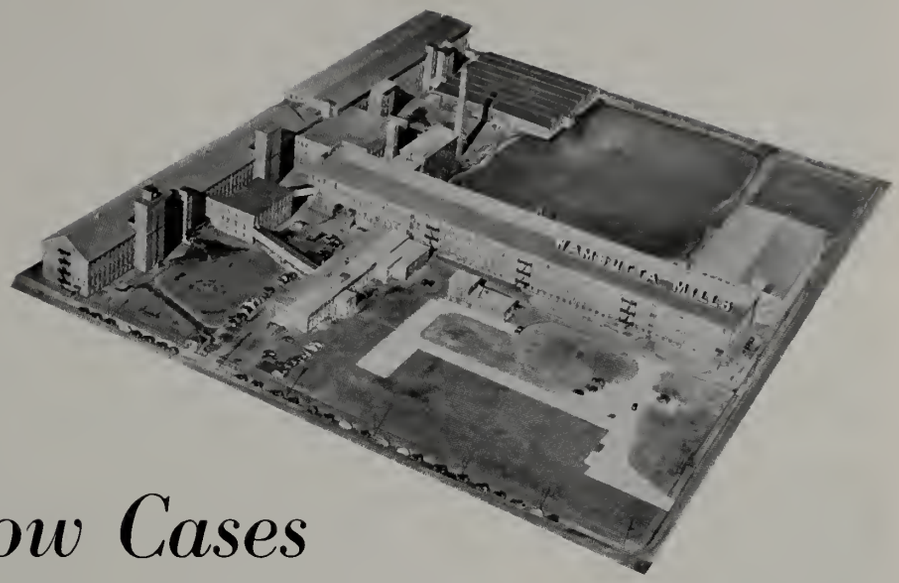
Wallace and Vadenais Win Top Awards

Below: Lionel Vadenais, Internal Trucker, received an awar of $645 when he suggested a method which increased th operating efficiency of fork trucks. He devised an extensio for the forks which increased their length from 48" to 6'-5" his idea eliminated hand-loading rails in the Freight House From the left: Earl Hammond, Foreman of Internal Trucking David Longmuir, John C. Cunningham, Lionel Vadenais, Howar Dunford, Head of Internal Transportation; J. Hugh Bolton Erik O. Pierson, and Frank N. Stone

SUGGESTION AWARDS

Dept.	*Name*	*Suggestion Number*	*Amount of Award*	*Dept*	*Name*	*Suggestion Number*	*Amount of Award*
499	Edward Wallace	52–205	$800.00	406	Raymond Picard	53–89	$25.00
407	Lionel Vadenais	52–201	645.00	450	Anthony Campo, Jr.	53–74	13.00
454	Edward M. Kane Darrell Burroughs	53–73	228.00	454	Rudolph Gniadek	53–39	10.00
				417	Charles Malkasian	52–202	7.50
489	William G. Young	52–129	132.00	489	Herbert Ashworth	53–28	7.50
465	Hugh Currie	51–186	125.00	489	Robert Balcome	53–72	7.50
489	Bernard Shaw	50–85	125.00	417	Douglas Farley	53–87	7.50
411	Walter Abramek	52–206	52.00	401	Osias Chenette	53–96	7.50
416	Clifford Mason	53–75	35.00	434	John Larsen	53–114	7.50
465	Andrew Magill	53–71	32.00	401	Osias Chenette	53–115	7.50
454	George M. Moran	53–36	30.00				

From Whales to Sheets and Pillow Cases



Aerial view of the Wamsutta Mills, New Bedford Massachusetts

FROM the earliest colonial days the iron-muscled and leather-skinned sons of New Bedford made their home port famous the world around, for in those days they reaped a rich harvest from the seven seas. Petroleum was not yet discovered, electric lighting was not yet invented, and so whale oil and spermaceti were needed to keep the homes of America bright. Whale bone was needed to shape the ladies' waists, ambergris for perfumes, and whale ivory for ornaments.

Thus a New Bedford whaler would cruise the oceans, for several years if need be, in search of whales, perhaps off the coast of Africa, perhaps around Cape Horn, or even in the icy waters of the Arctic and Antarctic. Many an intrepid seaman met his death beneath the thrashing flukes of a dying whale, and many a wife or sweetheart vainly watched the horizon for a ship that never came home.

Yes, the whalers of New Bedford made their city famous, but even as their day passed a new industry was building which would keep the name of New Bedford before the world. The Wamsutta Mill was under construction, a mill that was to prosper and grow until it became the world's largest manufacturer of the world's finest sheets and pillow cases. And naturally the fine quality of Wamsutta's products is in part due to their wide use of Whitin textile machines.

The mill's name is taken from the location, which in turn took the name from the eldest son of Chief Massasoit of the Wapanoag tribe. Less famous than his father or his younger brother Philip, Wamsutta, or Loving Heart, ruled the tribe for a brief period in early colonial times, was held captive by the white settlers, and died shortly after his release from captivity. Two centuries later the first Wamsutta mill was built on the spot that bore his name.

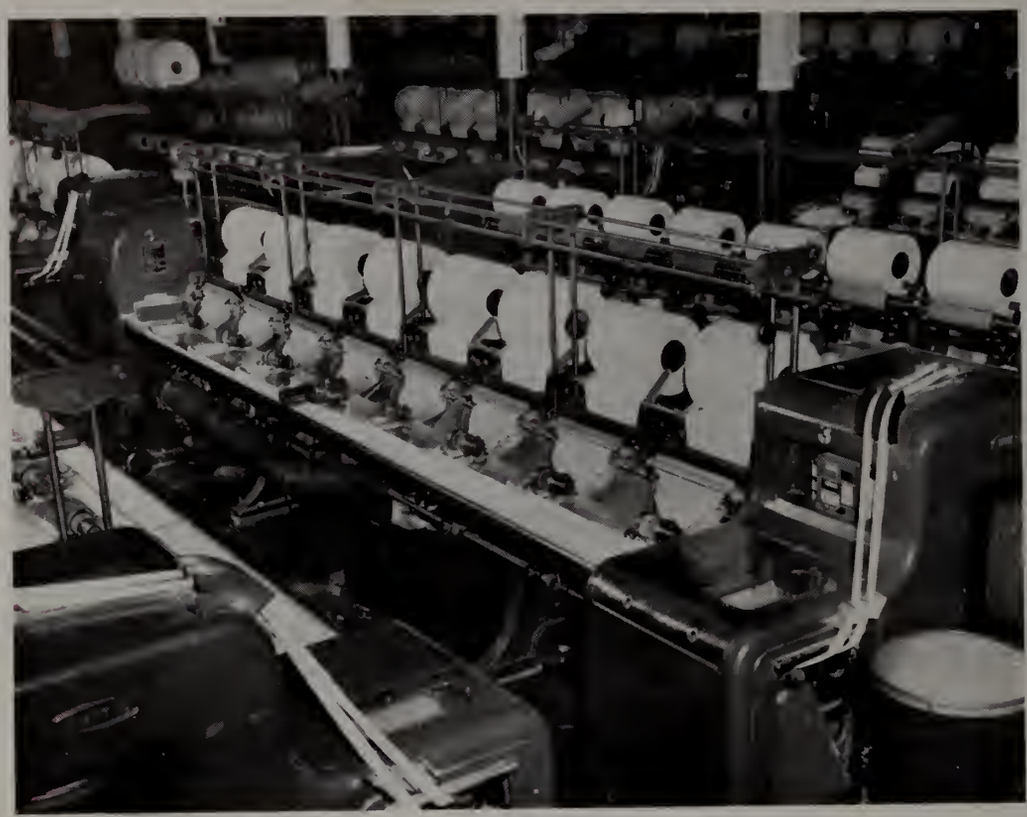
It took courage to build a 10,000 spindle mill, for operatives had to be found or trained, a village built to house them, and the mill itself had to be equipped. It is believed that the original 5824 ring spindles may have been Whitin built.

Wamsutta began production in 1849, only 18 years after John C. Whitin built his first picker, and by May 107,000 yards of cloth had been woven. Then the stockholders made the decision that gave Wamsutta a chance to grow—they raised $140,000 to purchase additional machinery and Whitin was there to sell it to them.

The Wamsutta plant was enlarged in 1855, in 1869, and in 1948, and each time additional Whitin machines were purchased. In 1948 they bought 24 Superdraft Roving Frames, six Sliver Lap Machines, six Ribbon Lap Machines, six Drawing Frames, and 24 Model J Combers. At the same time about 150 spinning frames were changed over, 42 to Whitin High-Draft and the remainder to Whitin Long-Draft.

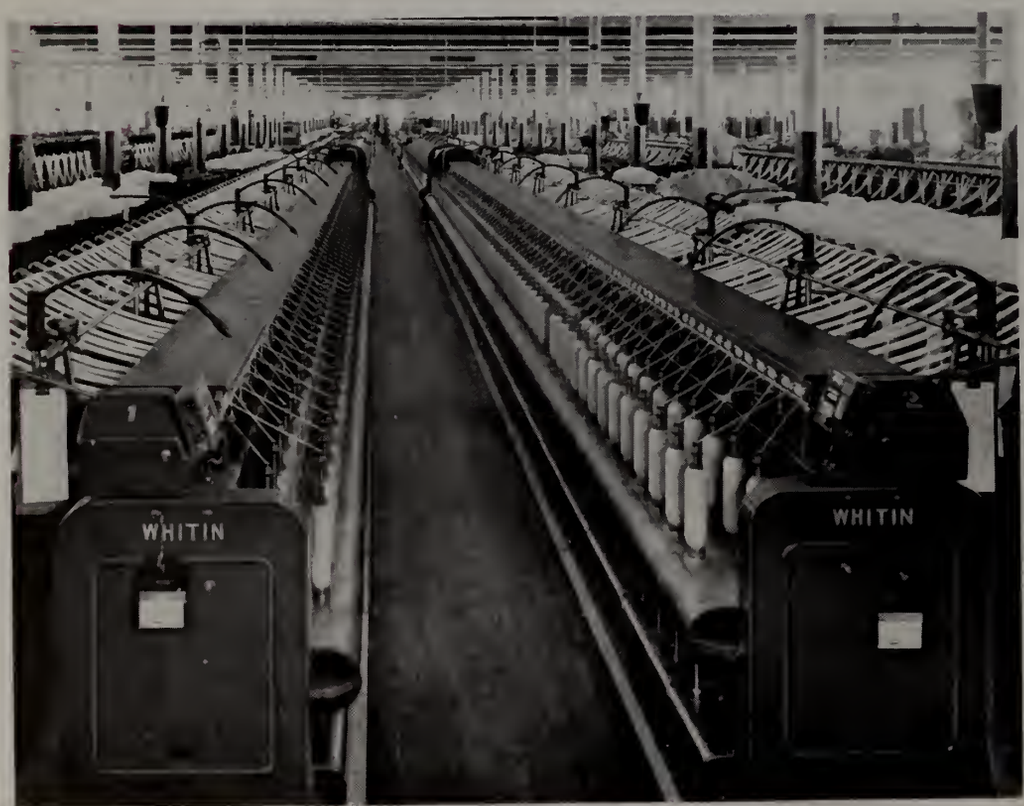
Today there is an excellent chance that several of the products you use are made by Wamsutta's 1,500 workers in their 90,000-spindle plant, for among the varied Wamsutta products are Candy Stripe, Frosty Tone, Blossom Tone, and multi-color sheets and pillow cases, top and bottom fitted sheets, and the ever popular white sheets and pillow cases. Wamsutta is also noted for high quality lawns, voiles, organdies, ginghams, lustercale, and many types of industrial cloths.

NOTE: *This article was prepared from material submitted by Allen J. Duport, Wamsutta Mills.* *See next two pages for pictures.*



Whitin Model "J" Combers

From Whales to Sheets and Pillow Cases (*Cont.*)



Whitin Super-Draft Roving Frames

Whitin-Schweiter Automatic Filling Winders

Center right: Section of Number 4 Weave Room showing 50″ x D Looms. This room, modern in every respect, includes new looms, fluorescent lighting, humidification and air conditioning. Lower right: Section of cloth room showing machine inspection of cloth. Below: View of table inspection in the cloth room

A Rubber-Band BANJO

A rubber-band banjo really makes music. Find a cardboard box about five inches long, three and a half inches wide and two inches deep.

With a knife, cut a hole and a slot in the lid as shown in Figure 1. Out of another piece of cardboard cut a bridge, shaped as in Figure 1. The tab at the bottom of the bridge should fit snugly into the narrow slot. The bridge will then stand upright as on a violin.

Place the lid on the box and fasten it with glue. Stretch some rubber bands of various sizes around the whole box, passing them over the bridge as in Figure 2. This completes the banjo.

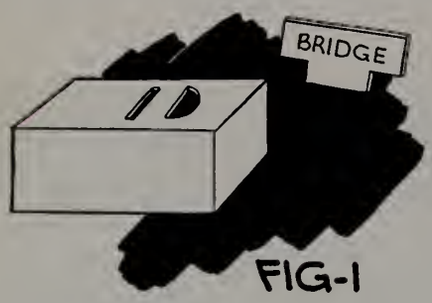


FIG-1

To play it, simply pluck the rubber bands with your fingers.

You will notice that the rubber bands which are smaller and thus more tightly stretched will produce the highest tones. After experimenting, it will be easy to arrange the bands according to tones from the bottom of the musical scale to the top.

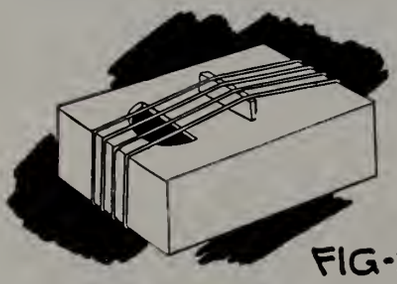


FIG-2

You'll have fun picking out tunes on this homemade instrument.

ANSWER TO PUZZLE

The slogan is "Safety First."

FUN FOR BOYS AND GIRLS!

★ A TREASURE CHEST OF THINGS TO MAKE AND DO ★

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LEAPING LENA WISHBONE

MAKE ONE NEXT TIME YOU HAVE CHICKEN OR TURKEY

Here's something to do with the wishbone of a chicken or turkey. Use it to make a Leaping Lena.

A Leaping Lena is simply a wishbone fixed up with a string and a small stick so it will leap high into the air.

First, clean all the meat off the wishbone. Then tie a loop of string rather tightly over the open end of it as shown in the little illustration above.

Between the two lengths of string insert a small stick about as long as a toothpick and as thick as a match.

With this stick twist the string around and around until it is wound up. As you do this, the ends of the wishbone will be pulled slightly toward each other. While they are capable of bending a little, be careful to avoid breaking them. If they break, your plans for a Leaping Lena will have to be laid aside until you have another chicken or turkey dinner.

When the string is wound up, adjust the stick so one end of it barely touches the closed end of the wishbone. The Leaping Lena is now ready.

Holding the stick in place, put the wishbone flat on the table. Release it—stick and all—and the stick will fly around very rapidly. As it does so, it will strike the table and this will cause the wishbone to pop into the air just like the one is doing for the boy and girl at the top of this article.

If the Leaping Lena doesn't work just right the first time, don't be discouraged. Experiment with the position of the little stick until you get a performance that is entirely satisfactory. Try it! It's fun!

Subtract and Add and You'll Get a Slogan

Bill, the boy sign painter, has posted an important slogan on this billboard. See if you can tell what it says by adding and subtracting words and letters. The answer appears elsewhere on this page.

The average American spent $10.30 r candy last year—a total expendi- re for our collective sweet tooth of ,620,000,000.

About 5500 men, women, and chil- en visit the White House in Wash- gton, D.C., each week day on private conducted tours.

It was the first trip to sea, and one young sailor was draped weakly over the rail. The captain came along the deck, and with one look at the sailor, said, "You can't be sick here."

The sailor looked the captain up and down, then with all the dignity at his command, said, "Watch."

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Susie: "Are you sure you'll love me when I'm old and ugly?"

John: "Who says I don't?"

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The captain of a merchant vessel once wrote in his log, "Mate was drunk today." When the mate sobered up, he was terribly chagrined and angry. He pleaded with the captain to strike out the record.

"I have never been drunk in my life before," he declared, "and I give you my solemn oath that I will never drink again!"

But the captain was adamant.

"In this log," he warned, "we write the exact truth."

The next week the mate kept the log, and in it he wrote, "Captain was sober today."

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A man and his small son were standing in front of a lion's cage at the Detroit zoo recently. Suddenly, the little tyke asked: "Daddy, if that lion gets out of his cage and eats you up, what bus should I take home?"

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The one-armed stranger winced as the barber nicked him again. But the man with the razor chattered on, unnoticing.

"Haven't you been in here before?" he babbled.

"No," said the stranger sadly, "I lost this arm in a sawmill."

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"Are you a good little boy?"

"Nope. I'm the kind of a boy my ma doesn't want me to play with."

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Stranger: "I came in because I read your advertisement for a man to retail canaries."

Boss: "And would you like the job?"

Stranger: "No-o. But I'm curious. How did the canaries lose their tails?"

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Judge: "Who was driving when you ran into that other car?"

Drunk: "None of us—we were all in the back seat!"

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Three deaf men were on a train bound for London. "What station is this?" asked one gentleman at a stop.

"Wembley," answered the guard.

"Heavens!" said the second. "I thought it was Thursday!"

"So am I," exclaimed the third. "Let's all have a drink."

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The guest watched with amazement the small boy amuse himself by driving nails into the furniture. Recovering himself a bit, he said to his host, "Joe, isn't that an expensive pastime your son has? How can you afford it?"

"Oh, it's not bad," answered the father. "We get the nails wholesale."

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

STEEL FABRICATION AND CUTTING-OFF JOBS

by Maurice P. Valois

This month we salute 432's Michael Bodnar, an experienced welder. Mike was born in Fall River, on November 11, 1915. His parents moved to Woonsocket when he was very young. Mike attended Woonsocket Grammar School, had five years of high school and took a one-year business course at Hill College in Woonsocket. Although he did not finish his term at the business college, Mike continued his education by attending Providence Trade School, taking welding, as his main subject. While attending trade school in the evening, he was a laundry truck driver by day. After 18 months of trade school, Mike really started his career. From 1939 to 1941, he worked at the Electric Boat Company, Groton, Conn., then 1941 to 1944 at Walsh-Kaiser Shipyards in Providence as high pressure welder on steam pipes, and was appointed on-the-job training instructor. Pantex Manufacturing Company, welcomed him in 1944 to 1946, where he welded laundry machine parts for a major washing machine outlet. 1946 to 1948, Mike was a mixer of rubber ingredients at the U. S. Rubber plant in Woonsocket, making a part of the famous Keds shoes for which this firm is known world-wide. In 1949, Whitin Machine Works was happy to find Mike in the folds of Department 432, as a welder. Stella Rudick, also of Woonsocket, became Mrs. "Mike" on May 30, 1940. They have one daughter, Marion, age eight. Mike is a well-known member of the Cumberland Garden Plat, an organization whose duties are not restricted to gardening, they are known also as the good neighbor club. Mike's hobbies are hunting, fishing, and swimming. His greatest thrill was catching a 20-pound striper, at Bass Rock, Narragansett, R. I. The fish fought so much, it broke Mike's fishing pole. Mike invites his many co-workers and friends to drop in anytime they are out on a Sunday afternoon drive. The address: 150 Hadde Avenue, off Mendon Road, Cumberland Hill, R. I.

By the time this hits the press, James Fitzgerald, timekeeper planner, will no longer be with us, and to replace him, we welcome well-known Harold Whitehead. Loads of luck to both. . . . George Vacher is now a father-in-law. Dorothy May Vacher, his daughter, married Leonard Lawrence of Harrisville, R. I., October 24 at the Berean Baptist Church of Harrisville, R. I. George is also the new bobbin loader erector on 432. . . . I may be wrong in my calculation, if so, let me hear about it, but I believe our Pop Monast is the one who has to travel the greatest distance to report for work—an him with a new paint job on the old Dodge! . . . Hello to John Pouliot recently release from a Boston Hospital, and now at work o 410. . . . While in 410, let's congratulat Emil Aussant for his election to senior vic commander of the Oliver-Ashton, America Legion Post 343, Northbridge. . . . Setra Akillian tells us his little daughter, Nanc Linda, was two years old on October 9. . . Best regards to George Castilli, Steve Bezil and Ernest Lange who are no longer with u but will receive their copy of the SPINDL for this month. . . . June Boisvert of 41 has a most interesting laugh. She tells u it is nothing unusual, but we all guess it i because June is now engaged—could be!

While we are in 410, let's pause a minut and interview our friend Joseph A. Roy, wizard in his own right at making differe jigs and fixtures for Department 410. Jo was born in Manchaug on January 3, 191 Joe attended Linwood Parochial School an the North Uxbridge Grammar School. H first job was as a weaver at the Waucantuc Mills of Uxbridge and he stayed there fo 13 years. On September 15, 1944, Joe cam to Whitin Machine Works on Departmer 437, then a few months later was transferre to 410 as cutting-off machine operator. H married Mabel Rascoe of Linwood on Oct ber 9, 1937, at the Good Shepherd Churc Linwood. Their two children are Richar eight years old, and Blanch, age five. Jo enjoys his work at Whitin Machine Work and loves to make time-saving fixtures an jigs. His hobbies are woodwork and lath work. The Roys reside on Providence Roa Linwood. . . . And as the politician se in conclusion, let me wish you and yours happy Thanksgiving Day dinner.

Messrs. E. Kent Swift, Jr., John H. Bolton, Jr., Eugene M. Kennedy, and J. Hugh Bolton pause for a moment as Mr. E. Kent Swift, Sr., takes their picture before starting their flight across the Atlantic to attend the Manchester Textile Exhibition in England. On the right is the TWA plane which carried our travelers from Idlewild Airport to the London Airport in twelve hours non-stop flying time

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

As we say good-by to Donat Bileau, painter, we welcome three new patter makers: Armand Cournoyer, David Richar son, and Robert Shaw. These are our ers while apprentices. Congratulations, boy on completing your course. We also welcon Mary Donatelli to our paint bench.

We have several November birthday Robert Gonynor, Walter Fulasz, and Josep Fenner. Many happy returns! . . . Cel brating wedding anniversaries in Novemb are Mr. and Mrs. Armand Cournoyer an Mr. and Mrs. Francis Joslin. Mr. and Mr Joslin became grandparents for the ninth tim late in September.

Personality of the Month: Clarence Viss was born in Whitinsville, June 21, 1908. H attended Northbridge public schools until l started in Browne and Sharpe in 1925. The he served his apprenticeship in patter making until 1929. After completing this, h worked with his father carpentering until h came to work in the Whitin Machine Work in May, 1933, in Department 401. Clarenc has worked here ever since. He worke summers for the Whitin Machine Work building houses. He has helped build seven in New Village on Crescent, Overlook, an North Main Streets. On August 2, 194 Clarence married Rita Estelle Harlow, school teacher, from Milford. They live o

ove is the Little Leogue All-Star Team which was chosen to represent the rthbridge Little League in the playoffs. They were the champions of uthern Worcester County but were defeated for the District Four championp by Webster. Moscot: Richie Piper. Front row, from the left: John Swart, Ken Reilly, Joe Jackman, Dave Piper, Jim Leonord, Allon Lightbown, Pete Hoggerty, Ronnie Vermette. Bock row, from the left: Co-manager Fron Losh, Morc Micholski, Eddie Roordo, Jeff Lafleur, James Mellor, Chorlie Peix, Leo Mohoney, Dovid St. Mortin, Co-manoger Jock Ratcliffe. Fron Brody wos obsent

etcher Street in their own home which s built by Clarence's father. His main bby is salt-water fishing. He frequently ks to Maine or the Cape for this purpose.

OOL JOB

George Jones

Congratulations to Eugene Lussier on his ing elected to Commander of the Oliver hton Post No. 343 in Northbridge. . . . rrell Burroughs is back at his job of repairg the machines on the Screw Job after ing away for nearly five months. He had st completed a job as a civilian for the U. S. vy which took him up to the Arctic Circle. . . Clement Jacques (small tools) received 10-year service pin with a great deal of de. . . . Roland (Humphrey) Fontaine ock cut-off) and Art Barsey (jig maker) ve both broken out with classy cars. mphrey is driving a 1953 Buick Special ile Barsey is sporting a 1946 Cadillac. . . Farewells were in order for Mike trowicz on October 2, for that was the day ke terminated his employment with the M. W. He has accepted employment in nnecticut and will be missed in Whitinsle.

We were sorry to hear that Mr. Cnossen's e has a broken arm. Ray is the delivery n on the Tool Job. We understand Ray very good housekeeper now. . . . Four n on the Tool Job have just completed ir belated vacations. Alvin Wahlman did a bit of bird hunting while Tom Postma stayed at home and killed and dressed chickens. Ed Postma toured Quebec and Herman Youngsma traveled to the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. . . . Hollis Booth showed up one day with a swollen eye. He had a difficult time convincing the boys that some sort of insect bit him. . . After 15 years of duty on the Whitinsville Fire Department Roger O'Keefe has turned in his resignation (effective in December). For the last eight years Roger was the driver of Engine No. 1. Roger was a very competent fireman, in sickness or health he was always ready for duty. We wish to thank you, Roger, for your many years of matchless duty. . . . George Moran is still recuperating from the big Rexall sale in Lynch's Drug Store in Uxbridge. We understand that George works there and they had a great sale on nylon stockings, tooth paste, face cream, and many other items. We all know how women act when they see a bargain. Poor George, he even had to work overtime. . . . Bob Bessey would be a great participant on the "Beat the Clock" program. Since Bob moved to Douglas Road he beats the clock every morning by two minutes. . . . Elliott Hairyes counted the months, the weeks, the days, and then the hours for eleven months waiting for the bird hunting season to open. But just 12 hours before, the woods were closed on account of the dry weather—so the 20th of October was a long day for Elliott. . . . Arthur Belval and Francis Mackowiak made their sixth blood donation on October 20.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

by Milton Crossland

Mr. P. B. Walker is back on the job after a motor trip through Nova Scotia. Both he and Mrs. Walker had a wonderful time. . . . William V. Trainor has returned to work after being on sick leave six months. Bill works for the iron workers in Department 466. Glad to see you back, Bill. . . . A. J. Pouliot is out sick. He works for R. Davidson, Carpenter Shop. Hope to see you back soon.

Gerard Lamontagne left the Company, October 16, to work in Worcester. Fellow employees presented him a pen and pencil set. Good luck, "Jerry," in your new job.

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

Tony DeStefanis, the Bolster Job mason, bought a new cottage in North Uxbridge. . . . Tony along with Ed Landry, Joe Rasco, and John Wisniowski received 20-year pins. . . . Al Houle, Harold Flinton, Mike Swiszcz, and Bizar Hagopian were only a few of the many seen at the Springfield Exposition. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ray Blizard enjoyed the music by the Leonard DePaur Chorus at Sutton Memorial Hall. . . . Bob Cochrane, Walter Fierly, William Griffiths, and Lindsey Harding went fishing. This time L. Harding had a line with 50 hooks but didn't get a bite all day.

Edward Jennings, Foundry moulder, retired September 1 after accumulating a total of 49 years of service at Whitin. Ed received a purse from his many friends who also wished him happiness in his retirement

GUARDS

by Ralph M. Anderson

Mr. and Mrs. Max Winters motored to New York City to attend the wedding of Mr. Winters' niece, Miss Fredrika Winters, who was married to Mr. Bert Wechsler of Gary, Indiana, at the Hotel Plaza, New York City. . . . Mr. and Mrs. John Vaughn and family spent a week at Provincetown, Cape Cod. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ralph George spent their vacation also at Provincetown, Cape Cod, followed by a four-day motor trip to Maine. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ovila Jacques are sporting a new 1953 Chevrolet. . . . The same applies to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Leaver with a 1952 Ford. Happy motoring to both!

The guards looked forward to resuming pistol target practice Friday, October 2. While not claiming to be the world's best marksmen, any one of them can knock the eye out of a fly at 50 yards, just tell them which eye. . . . Howard Libbey is back to work after a short illness.

Pfc. Norman Anderson of the U. S. Marines, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson, recently hitch-hiked from Route 20, in Auburn to Camp Pendleton, California, in four days, one ride was 1500 miles, which he shared driving. He met Buck Hood who wants to be remembered to the boys on the Bolster Job.

Raymond J. Anderson of the *USS Leyte* and son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson, West Street, Millville, escaped injury when an explosion occurred aboard the carrier in the Boston Navy Yard. Ray was trapped below decks for four hours. At this writing the death toll stands 36. Ray, a former employee of the Winder Job, has been on the *Leyte* for two years. Ray's present rank is interior communication electrician second class

CARD SMALL PARTS

by Millie Turgeon

Sorry to have to say "So long" to Francis Muscatell of Department 419 who has been laid off. Hope you're back soon, Fran. . . . Lois Blakely, timekeeper for our department and Department 430 has left us and is now with the Cost Department. Sorry to see you leave, Lois, but what is our loss is the Cost Department's gain. (No more peanuts for you Lois.) . . . With Lois' departure, our stock clerk, Rita Deome, has combined the timekeeper's work with her own stock clerk work. She has been worrying so about keeping up with both she actually lost four pounds over the first week or so. Stop worrying, Rita, we know you'll do all right.

Let's say hello to Andy Scott, a roadman for our knitting machines. He is spending a few weeks with us studying the new and improved mechanism that drives these machines. He has set up these machines in Mexican mills. Must be interesting, Andy. . . . Although not actually working in our department, Hector Sauve and Franny Magowan are frequently seen on our job in connection with the new department being set up opposite Mr. Walker's office, which our present foreman, Tommy Stevenson, will soon take over. . . . By the way Tommy Stevenson and Henry Gosselin alon with the rest of the Whitin Male Glee Clu entertained at the Narragansett Hotel i Providence, R. I., where a lobster or stea dinner was enjoyed by the chorus. . . . Le Houle of Department 419 recently enjoyed visit with friends in Winstead, Conn.

Oscar Kurowski and Dick Sanderson too in the last deep-sea fishing trip of the seaso Oscar caught about 40 pounds of fish whil Dick caught 20 to 25 pounds—a good day catch. . . . Johnny Sotek and his wif celebrated their eighth wedding anniversary Columbus Day, by having dinner (Frenc style) at the Sheraton Hotel. . . . Georg Forsythe and his wife celebrated their 22n wedding anniversary October 26. . . Gordon Thomson and his wife celebrate their fifth wedding anniversary. May a of you enjoy many more happy years. . . Best birthday greetings are sent to Jim Kru who celebrates on November 4 and to Russe Moore who celebrates on the 11th, Armistic Day. A very happy birthday to you both.

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

It is not necessary to go over the Mohawl Trail and other traffic-jammed highways t see Nature in all its beauty. The road fron Whitinsville to Douglas or Manchaug ha all the beauty to be found with less nerve wracking driving. Some trees appear t have a coating of red paint. Route 16 t Webster is one of the grandest rides fo scenery at this time of year. They won' last until this is published, but next yea try it, and save gas and nerves. . . . W welcome back Flossie Hayward and Pete Berthelette after their sojourns in othe departments. . . . Jackie Sullivan has lef us to take a job with a "brighter future." Best of luck, Jack. . . . Charlie Coombs new house is progressing rapidly due t the fact that if any of Charlie's friends appea on the scene, a voice from somewhere call out, "Here's a hammer." So many wil have worked on it that every group of nail driven should have the legend—"John Doe his nails." . . . Jennie Baker made trip to Maine on a recent week end, mucl to the envy of a few of us.

Tony Bouchard, his wife, and the daughter-in-law took a few days to journey to Newport to greet home-coming sailor Hector Bouchard. Hector, formerly set-up man on the Spindle Job, has just completed six months' duty in Asiatic an European waters. . . . Mrs. Celia Donald son attended the Worcester South Congregational Convention in Worcester, being delegate from the Sutton Church. . . Gert Boucher's daughter was recently confirmed at Uxbridge. . . . We hear Gert Ebbeling wouldn't mind another trip t Michigan—Hmmm? . . . Chet Clark continues to be out because of illness, we certainly hope he's on the road to recovery . . . Joe Turgeon recently joined th grandfather's club, by reason of the birth of a son to his daughter, Mrs. Viola Connors, at Tampa, Florida.

Michael Ovian, Foundry, retired July 31 after working at Whitin for 34 years. During a recent visit, Raymon Meader presented Mike with a purse, a gift from his fellow workers. Photo by Gerard Brouillette

RESEARCH DIVISION

y Warren Campbell

The members of the Research Golf League eld their first annual outing at the Pine idge Golf Club in Upton, September 26, ith a clambake and a full day of golf to wind a very successful season. Joe Laczynski d Ted Giemza won the league championip and were presented with a cash award. ongratulations to you both. Ken Stanley on the hole-in-one contest with a shot of o feet six inches from the pin. . . . Walce Caron, supervisor of the Research Labotory attended the Convention of the merican Society for Testing Materials in ew York City the week of October 13. . . . uis Rutana had his vacation somewhat mpened when the woods were closed on ening day of hunting season because of the y spell. We'll all take a raincheck on that d, Lou.

Pat Kelley of Engineering is now a landlord Millbury, but don't bother to call—all artments are taken. . . . Best wishes to Frank Kalwaites of Engineering who t us on September 1 to accept a position Chicopee. Frank was presented with a pe and tobacco pouch by his fellow workers. . . The Research Bowling League got der way on September 28 under the direcn of Ike Peloquin, Ray Gautreau, and Ken anley who were elected officers of the league. om the looks of some of the scores for the st few weeks, most of us should stick with lf. Bill McFarland leads the league with high single of 119. . . . Myron Chace d Ken Stanley were at Frank Ix & Sons Charlottesville, Va., for a few days on nill trip.

OMBER JOB

Terry Merolli

Joe Swiazez, one of our drill hands has ken an interest in goats. At the present e he has nine that he is raising. Inciitally, he entered them in the East Blackne Fair and they came home with a blue bon. . . . It seems good to see Ken dson back at his machine. Ken has been t on sick leave for four months. . . . If zes were to be given for the most beautiful wers I'm sure Mike Zylstra, Frank Greene, l Andy Hockstra would all deserve one. e bouquets that they have been bringing have been beautiful and certainly have ghtened up the office. . . . Mr. and s. Mike Zylstra recently celebrated their h wedding anniversary and Mr. and s. John Solina celebrated their 15th.

N CYLINDERS

Wilbur Baird

ongratulations to Earl Martinson, of . 23 Crib, who was presented his 20-year vice pin on September 22. . . . Belated hday greetings to Carl Hendrickson and ggie Demague, whose birthdays were in ober. . . . Birthday wishes this month Mrs. Dorothy Spencer, Time Clerk, and retary to our foreman.

Second grade pupils at the Grove School about 1917. The teacher: Mildred (White) Nelson. Left to right (front row): Gertrude (Montell) Crawford, Madeline (Vanden Akker) Kremer, Gertrude (Visser) VanderPloot, Gladys Ramsey, Ruth Marshall, Marion Hemenway, Lillian Dupre, Elizabeth (Carrol) Horon, Veronica Kane, Gordon Rankine, Edward Duggan. Back row: Howard Riley, Manton Williams, Eddie Egan, Merton Sharpe, Kenneth Fass, David Cooper, Noel Carrington

GENERAL MACHINING

by Jim Magowan and Ken Harrington

Birthday wishes to Arthur Ashworth, Lionel Grondines and Jim Magowan. . . . Anniversary congratulations to Leo Mullins, Lionel Grondines, George Cartier, and Jim Magowan. . . . Congratulations to "Uncle" Fred Robertson, who received his 20-year pin last month. . . . The department bowling teams got off to a fast start. The "Wheels" are comprised of Matt "Dead-eye" Krajewski, Jerry "Lucky" Roy, Reynold "Speed Ball" Boucher, Leo "I Can't Miss It" Mullins, and Pete "Ajax" Babowitch, and a spare, Ted "I'm Only a Beginner" Widor. This team has taken two straight from the "Turrets" by an unmentionable amount of pins. The "Turrets" consist of the following: Marcel "Wait Till Next Week" Plante, John "I Want to Be Manager" Drainville, Larry "The Genius" Metevier, Hector "It's Been a Long Time" Roy, and Jim Magowan—I write the column.

ROVING SMALL PARTS AND ROVING ERECTING

by Mary Hugley

Glad to welcome Fred Tucker back after a three weeks' illness. . . . Sorry to see our planner Bernard Smith leave. Good luck on the new job. . . . Congratulations to Fred Tucker and Armand Bolduc on receiving their 20-year service pins. . . . Birthday greetings this month to Frank Lewandowski.

Members of the Research Division Golf League on their first annual outing at the Pine Ridge Golf Club in Upton

After serving seven months aboord the USS "New Jersey" in Korean waters, William Porter is now on his way home. He wishes to be remembered to the members of the night shift in Department 411

CAST IRON AND RATTLER ROOMS

by Jim Fallon

Department 405 has a large list of new men in the past few weeks, they are Don White, Roland Blondin, Joseph Antaya, George Armenia, Waldo Forsythe, Rosarie Lariviere, Jim Coleman, Mathus Edmonds, and J. V. Chattman. . . . Leon Roudeau retired September 25, 1953, after serving 21 years in the Shop. He was given a purse of $50 by his fellow associates. We wish him all the best in the days to come. . . . Bernie Shaw became our new assistant foreman on September 28, 1953, we wish him all the luck in the world. . . . Agnes Picard, Clara Shaharian, Marie Sauve, Jim Coleman are out sick. Hope they get better and come back to work soon. . . . Cliff Rivet from Department 431A and Jim Fallon from Department 405 spent the week end of October 3, at Hamilton, N. Y., watching Holy Cross and Colgate play football. They are true Holy Cross fans.

Ernest Dionne, son of Louis Dionne of Deportmer 437, caught this arm-long trout in Montana

A 2C Marcel F. Beausaleil, who is stotioned in Alaska, has sent the "Spindle" an unsolicited testimonial. This type of letter we enjoy reading

MILLING JOB

by Arthur Leclaire

The following received 20-year service pins: Harry Ludvigson, John McCaig, Louis Martin, and George Vincent. . . . Birthday wishes go to the following this month: Ralph Walsh, Frank Donavan, George Beaudoin, John McCaig, Theodore Morel, Simone Roy, and Nora Asadoorian.

Personality of the Month: John A. Nelson was born in Long Cove, Maine, March 24, 1895. He attended schools at Smalley Town in Maine. John started working in quarries during summer vacations at the age of 11 years. In 1913 he came to Rockport, Mass., and worked in a quarry for a short time. He started working in the Shop on the Card Job in 1914 and in 1915 John transferred to the Milling Job. During World War I, he enlisted in the Navy returning to the Milling Job in 1918. He is nearing completion of 39 years' service in the Shop.

William Brouwer, son of Ben Brouwer of Depart ment 441, is serving in the U. S. Army in Korec

A 2C Norman O. Dion, son of Ovide A. Dion of the Foundry, is serving with the Armed Forces in Korea

YARD AND OUTSIDE CREW

by Bill Scanlon

Bill Boileau has had his troubles. It seems that Bill laid his dinner on a wheelbarrow and when he came out, lo and behold, a dog had taken off with it. That wasn't bad enough, while working at the ball field a crow came along and carried off his sandwich. I'd advise Bill to carry his lunch box if he wants to eat regularly. . . . Mat Puhnik has been transferred to Manchaug Mill, previous to that Mat worked at Vail Field. . . . Henry Deslauriers has joined Erle Simmons' Department. He was formerly of Department 432. . . . Pete Prymak, "Slim" Stairs, Mel Young, and Ken Stanley have made reservations in Hebron, New Hampshire, for a deer hunting expedition. Pete Prymak is taking only one bullet for the one deer he expects to bring home, while the others are taking plenty of extras.

A/3C Raland Dionne is a member af the Unitec States Air Farce Band at Sampson A.F.B., New York

ilip Kooistra, son of Henry Kooistra, has just been mmended far saving the taxpayers $2000. He signed a toal ta repair a C-46 fuel tank at his se in Texas. Philip worked an the Tool Job fore entering the U. S. Armed Forces

ncis Reneau, son of Wilfred Reneau of the Rall o, is statianed at Fart Dix, New Jersey

nard J. Walenty, formerly an inspector in Departnts 432 and 436, is now in Germany

TIN JOB, PAINT JOB AND CREEL JOB

by Claude R. Bolduc

Rudy Roberge spent Columbus Day aboard his old ship visiting shipmates. Rudy, a reservist, was recalled during the Korean crisis. . . . Mr. Cunningham recently presented Arthur Laferriere his 20-year pin. . . . Rosario "Bon Homme" Lacombe spent Columbus Day with his family in New Bedford. . . . Some of the boys were disappointed when the woods were closed for hunting, but let's hope by this time all hunters have had a pheasant dinner. . . . Due to the work shortage, Department 413 lost John DeBoer, Tony Petrillo, and John Kapolka. . . . Eugene Picard recently moved into his new home in Linwood. . . . The cold-snap caught Edmund Brouilette by surprise. His "Super Chevrolet" froze on him. . . . Stanley Ziemba, planner on the Paint Job, recently surprised some of the boys when he told them he was a supply sergeant in World War I. . . . Andre Remillard is the new face on the Paint Job.

MISCELLANEOUS WOOD WORK AND CARPENTER SHOP

by Frank Ruo, Jr.

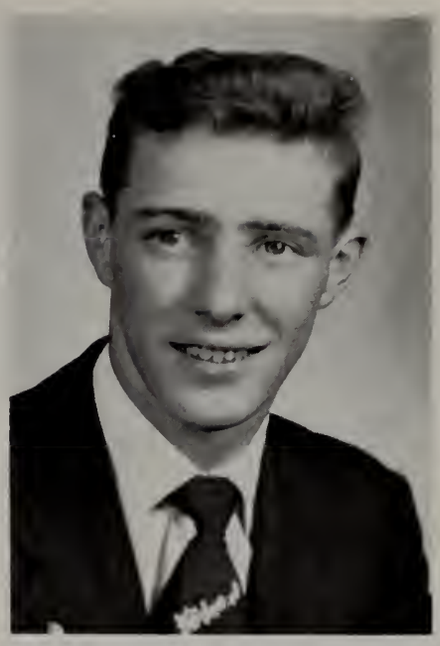
Our sick list includes Joe Hetherington and Adelard Pouliot. Speedy recovery is what we hope for them. . . . We understand that Joe Zito is staying pretty close to the ground these days. No more roof climbing? . . . Mr. and Mrs. Leon Wallace have finally taken that long-postponed honeymoon trip to Niagara Falls. We hear they had a good trip. . . . Eddie Skowronski received his 20-year pin the other day, from Mr. Cunningham in the department office, another 20 years coming right up.

Personality of the Month: Congratulations and best wishes were extended to Emery Heroux on the occasion of his marriage on October 5 to the former Miss Ciummo of Harrisville, Rhode Island. Emery was born in Harrisville on October 25, 1914. At the age of nine the family moved to Woonsocket and there he received his education. He has been in Whitins for seven years working in the Carpenter Shop. Mr. and Mrs. Heroux have taken up residence in Harrisville along with Emery's two sons, ages 15 and 16, by a former marriage. Mrs. Heroux owns and operates a liquor package store in that town. We understand that he enjoyed his favorite sport of fishing while on a recent visit to Quebec. To the Mrs. and you Emery, good wishes.

ROLL AND BRUSH JOB

by Louise Sohigian

Congratulations to Byron Deane who received his 20-year pin, and to Aldea Peterson and Annie Malkasian who received 10-year pins. . . . The welcome mat is out this month for Edward Lamontagne.



Leo Roy, son of Felician Roy of 453, joined the Marines in July and is training at Parris Island

Harry Megerdichian, son of John Megerdichian of Department 423, is stationed at Camp Gordan, Georgia, with the Signal Corps, U. S. Army

Richard W. Vaya, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph D. Vaya, has been made a fireman. He is stationed aboard the U.S.S. "Opportune" at San Juan, Puerto Rico. He formerly worked in Crib No. 5

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT 1922 (group included timekeepers and rate setters). First row, from the left: Raymon Meader, Elaine Brawn McCrea, Belle Hamilton Ferguson, Catherine Rossiter Joyce, Marian Wood, William Mantgomery, and Walter Stevens. Second row: Frank Larkin, Anske Fortuin, James Clarke, Merwin Brown, Joseph Quintal, and Joseph Bunniworth. Third row: James Dundas, Kenneth Benner, Henry Bouvier, Norman Reed, Herbert Ball, Unknown, and Walter Brown. Fourth row: E. T. Clary, manager; Louis Kenney, Winslow Tibbetts, Lester Dermady, Raymond Adams, and William Brewer

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

Our personality this month is Ralph P. Leveque, Chief Timekeeper in the Foundry. Ralph was born Mareh 6, 1925, in Woonsocket. He is a graduate of Woonsocket High Sehool and on Oetober 17, 1953, he married Jennie Cornicelli, also of Woonsocket. Before eoming to Whitin five years ago, he was employed at O. M. Lally's Stationery store. Mr. and Mrs. Leveque live at 24 Second Avenue in Woonsocket. Ralph's hobbies include hunting, golf, tennis, and travel.

The "Night Squad" working on the Gilding & Lewis job enjoyed a spaghetti and meatball supper recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Orlando. Those who attended were: Daniel Barnes, Joseph Gauthier, Leo Landy, Jerome Rodman, and Robert Hoisington. . . . Congratulations to the following men who were recently presented W.M.W. serviee pins: John Wile, 20 years; Theodore Picotte, 10 years; Helding Appellof and Brazil Namaka, five years. . . . We are sorry to report that Charles Randall had a relapse from his recent illness. We hope to see him back with us soon. . . . Good luck to Edward Joseph in his new enterprise. He is leaving the Foundry to start his own business at Ann's Shoes, Inc., 271 Main Street, Worcester. Bear in mind fellows that the better shoes will be sold by Ed and he invites all of you to visit him at his place of business. . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKee who eelebrated their 27th wedding anniversary on October 9. They own their own home at 408 Hill Street, Whitinsville, and they have a daughter, Ann Janet.

Ralph Leveque, chief timekeeper in the Foundry, is the Personality af the Month. He is a graduate af Woonsocket High Schaol

Marie Ann Wassenaar, daughter of Jacob Wassenaar, Spindle Job, is a recent graduate of Blodgett Memorial Hospital, Grand Rapids, Michigan

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

Just found out what the rumpus was c Department 448 the other morning. It seem the boys had a family style steak dinner tl night before and Francis Horan decided l would take the leftover steaks home to h wife. Bob Couture thought his dog wou like the bones and scraps. The steaks ar scraps were put into identical containe Someone (?) switched the containers. Is yo wife still barking at you, Francis?

Congratulations to Rose Proulx for her 2 year membership in the Douglas Women Relief Corps. . . . Maude Heerdt has r ceived word from her son Donald, in Japa that he will be home about the first of Decer ber. . . Recent visitors to the Springfie Fair were Jennie Ebbeling, John Dufries, ar Dave Clark. . . . The Herb Erickso have moved into their new trailer home. W hope they will be very happy. . . . Ken Johnson is near Seoul, Korea. He hopes t be home in the spring. . . . Get w wishes go to Mrs. Zarey Forget, Edd Osiecki, and Wilfred Elie. . . . Anniversa greetings go to Mr. and Mrs. Herb Erickso and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Osieeki. . . . O softball team has added another trophy the one already in the office. For the seco consecutive year the team has won runner-u place in the Shop Softball League.

TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

by Harold Libby

Robert Dunn, son of Roland Dunn of t Freight Offiee, returned from overseas. was the first time he had been home in thr years. Needless to say the reunion last far into the night. . . . James DiCostan of our Postage Department leaves Nove ber 1 for basie training at Bainbridge, Mar land, Navy Base. . . . Mr. and Mrs. L Gauthier spent their honeymoon in New Yo State. . . . A speedy recovery is wish to Bill VanNess who recently returned fro St. Vincent Hospital. . . . We have ne that Bea Carpenter is recuperating and expected back soon. . . . A thrill th comes once in a lifetime came one noon ho last month when Mrs. Rita Turcotte held t perfect 29 hand at a game of cribbage. Ri was dealt three fives and the jack of club The five of clubs was turned over, th making her one of the few in this game enjoy the thrill of this unusual occurren . . . A surprise birthday party was he in the office October 20 at noon honori Archie Langelier with a birthday eake a all the fixings. Archie is one of our no hour cribbage players.

SPINDLE JOB

by Edward Bates

Personality: Eugene Racine spent his sch years here in Whitinsville and is a high sch graduate. He started work here in Augu 1933, and has worked on the following jo Roll Job, Ring Job, Drawing Floor, Magne Job and is now a grinder hand on centerl grinders. Eugene is married, owns his o home in Oxford. He enjoys music.

ot only looks like, but is, Tyrone Power, shown h Rene Ethier ot Corpus Christi, Texas, in 1944

body for tennis? Jeffrey, age 9 months, is the of Donold Longe, Methods Department

se chestnuts, gathered on the shores of Dorrity d, Millbury, are evidence that the mighty trees ch once shared with the elms the task of shading village streets may be making a comeback. tree now has a diameter of five inches

A short while ago, a horse hit Everett Bishop's car and although he has a Packard it did a great deal of damage to the car. It happened on Route 16 in Holliston. One of his friends was taken to the Milford Hospital for five stitches. . . . George Mellor, Leon Fletcher, Anthony Rose, Thomas Jackman, and John Visbeck each received their 20-year pins this past month.

STOCK ROOM 406

by Claire Lapierre

Congratulations to Joseph Beaubien on receiving his 10-year pin. Mr. Lester Dermody made the presentation. . . . We welcome back Ida May Snay and Leonard White from their sick leave. Also, Konstantine Rymeski's wife is home from the hospital and convalescing. . . . Anniversary greetings are extended to Mr. and Mrs. John Toohey, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Brennan, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Adams. . . . Belated birthday greetings to Mr. Francis Brown. Also best wishes to Marie Lavallee and Walter Zaleski. . . . We are bidding farewell to a few of our co-workers, Beverly Bratt, Marie Lavallee, Harry Daley, Mimi Coporale, Larry Sarafian, and Roland Dumas. We wish them the best of luck and speedy return.

The girls in the department attended a bridal shower on September 27 in honor of Stacia Mucha, formerly of 406, and they spent an enjoyable evening. They gave her a present of chinaware.

The Jolly Timer's Club (a suitable name for them) which includes Leo Palmari, Francis Brown, Eddy Sokolski, Mimi Coporale, and William Guertin of 406 and several others, enjoyed a hearty seafood meal with all the trimmings at Johnson's Hummock in Providence. It was a merry evening for all. . . . This might sound like a fish story, and it is! Arnold Walling of 406 with friends, went fishing at Narragansett and landed 19 striped bass from their chartered craft. That was a real successful fishing trip, don't you agree?

It was an interesting pleasure to interview this month's personality who is John Toohey, supervisor of 406A. During one little chat, John told me he had been working in the Shop for 32 years, and has spent all this time at 406. He was born in Whitinsville, and has lived here all his life. His wife, formerly of Ireland, has just returned from visiting her native land.

John is an active member in the Knights of Columbus organization. He is an ardent baseball and football fan. He also enjoys gardening and fishing as his favorite hobbies.

METAL PATTERNS

by William Prior

Personality of the Month: Ray Fletcher, an employee for 18 years in the Whitin Machine Works, was born in Milford in August 1897. He served his time as a pattern maker at the Draper plant staying there for 10 years, then went into the insurance business in the same

Eugene Rocine is the Spindle Job Personality of the Month. He is a graduate of Northbridge High

John Toohey, supervisor, is the Stockroom Personality of the Month. He has been here 32 years

Members of the Jolly Time Club on an outing at Johnson's Hummock in Providence last month

Stacia Mucho was presented o set of chinaware ot o recent shower given in her honor by friends

town. In 1935 he started work in this department and has been here ever since. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher live in Upton and they have one daughter, Carol Ann, age 10½ years. Ray will be married 16 years this month. As hobbies he likes all sports and also loves to travel around this section of New England.

Robert Caston and yours truly recently received 20-year pins. . . . Jack Leonard returned to work after a few weeks at Whitinsville Hospital. . . . John Sohigian is home ill again, we all wish him a quick recovery. . . . Gerritt Dykstra is on another stretch of jury duty, this time in Worcester.

SPINNING, CARD ERECTING AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

Service pins were given out by company officials to the following men in the past few weeks: Oskar Mayr, 25 years; Frank Rondeau, 20 years; Bob Williams, 20 years; Alex Wilson, 20 years; and Rene Truscotte, 20 years.

Oskar Mayr was born in Vienna, Austria, and 30 years later he came to America to set up woolen cards in a Woonsocket mill for an Austrian concern.

For 10 years he erected cards, spinning frames, pickers, and mules in Holland, Denmark, Russia, Rumania, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, and Austria.

He and Mrs. Mayr are ardent gardeners and received 19 prizes at the last flower show in the Gym.

Gardening, clock repairing, stamp collecting are his hobbies.

Frank Rondeau started on the bolster job in August, 1933. He worked on the Metal Pattern Job during the war and later on grinders, then card flats until this department was moved to Maine. He then came to Department 433 where he is now employed. He lives at 14 Cottage Street with Mrs. Rondeau and sons Richard and Paul. His son Leo is in the Navy and another son Alfred works on the Tool Job. He has four other children, all married, Edward, Raymond, Doris, and Lucille.

He belongs to the Grange and the police auxiliary and did a very good job lining up individuals for the last blood-typing campaign. His hobbies are fishing, hunting, and bowling.

Oskar Moyr, Cord Job Personolity of the Month, hos erected Cords in mony foreign countries

Bob Williams started to work in September, 1933, on what is now Department 433. He worked here a month then went to work on the Roll Job for a time. He came back to the Erecting Floor and set up spinning and wool frames. Bob likes gardening and won first prize for his garden in the Lackey Dam plot. He always likes to get back to his native Maine on his vacation. Bob lives in the Overlook Apartments with Mrs. Williams and his daughter Corice, both of whom are employed in the Production Department.

Alex Wilson originally started here in 1922 but left and went to work in Pittsburgh. He returned in October, 1933, and has worked on the Erecting Floor since. He lives at 9 Cottage Street with Mrs. Wilson and his brother Bill, assistant foreman on Department 448B. His daughter Eleanor, a gold medal student at Northbridge High School in 1952 received a $200 scholarship from Westminster College in Pennsylvania where she is now attending school. The Wilsons celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary in March. Alex enjoys flowers and this along with working around his home are his hobbies.

Rene Truscotte came to work in October, 1933, erecting speeders. He worked on the Screw Job during the war and then went back to erecting pickers, wool frames, and twisters.

He has his own home at 20 Roy Street and lives there with Mrs. Truscotte, his sons Norman, 10 years and Paul, four years old. His pet hobby is sightseeing but also likes baseball, gardening, and working around his home.

Celebrating wedding anniversaries in October were John Flezar, Don Simmons, Ed Marshall, Dave Picard, Sr., William Muse and Carmen DeFillipo. . . . Celebrating birthday anniversaries were Arthur Pellerin, Alfred LeBlanc, and Frank Convent. . . . Due to an oversight, Walter Oolivigian and Alex Wilson were not mentioned in t September birthday list. . . . It was ni to see Olivio Tanfani at the steak supper had last month. He still retains his memb ship in the club although living and worki out of town. We expect to see a truck co taining pots and pans, his side line, arrivi in front of the shop any day now. . . Clint White is living in his new home Uxbridge and expects to have it fully co pleted soon. . . . Hope you all enj Thanksgiving.

Alex St. Germoin hos returned from o two weeks' vocotion spent in Conodo, Vermont, New Hompshire, ond New York. He is shown in front of the stogecooch in the Frontier Town in New York

GRINDER JOB

by Virginia Burke

Our Personality of the Month is Clint Tracy, who was born in Hopkinton, 189 He moved to Hopedale in 1899 and attend the schools there. He went to work in machine shop in Milford in 1915 as an a prentice in the tool room, worked in Low during 1917 as a machinist at the Boston Maine Railroad Shop, enlisted in the Avi tion Corps of the Army, after his discharg he returned to the railroad shop. Next worked in Pennsylvania and New York wit the U. S. Air Mail, the government let th work out to private airlines so he went work for the Hearst newspapers in the ci culation department in the Grand Centr district. It was while working there th he met and married his wife, Viola, in 192

Clinton has worked for 13½ years in th department on the lathes, grinders, and no straightening. His favorite hobby is fishi and clamming and he spends many week en and vacations on the Cape.

William Todd has been appointed forema of Department 426. Congratulations, Bil George Moran, the former department for man, retired on account of ill health. W trust he will soon feel himself again. . . On September 15, Raymond Fitton con pleted 20 years with Whitin Machine Work and was presented his pin by Messrs. Cu ningham and Steel. Congratulations an many more years, Ray. . . . Ray also cel brated his birthday this month. Fran Mancini managed to celebrate two birthday which is a yearly event with Frank. May some day the right one will be decided. . Norman and Mrs. Proulx celebrated the

On September 24, John H. Cunninghom, gener superintendent, oppointed Williom H. Todd for mon of Deportment 426. Bill wos ossistont foremc

urth wedding anniversary on September 20. ur best wishes are extended to all. . . . enry Nejadlik and Raymond Basinet have ined the Glee Club and both are enjoying very much. We are all looking forward to eir next concert when we can see and hear em. . . . Hunting season will soon be re by the plans. Trust all have good luck.

AIN OFFICE

y Gloria Marshall

On behalf of all those in this office, the yroll Department, and the telephone ops, I want to extend a hearty welcome to oward Hawkins who has recently been scharged from Uncle Sam's Army. Howd was in the Service for nearly two years d served three and a half months of that ne at the Signal Corps School in Japan d then 12 more months in Korea. He is rried to the former Shirley Mae Stimpson d they are now residing in Woonsocket. will be good to see you back, Howard, d again let me say "welcome home." . . . vacation during the month of September d October were Gwendolyn Searles, who k some time off to visit with her sister o was here in town for a few days and na Bergquist. Arthur Vincent was also t on vacation but he would not tell this orter just where he had gone so you ll have to see him to find out. . . . Contulations to Esther Anderson who recently eived her five-year service pin. Louis abot can be seen driving around in his w Chevrolet Bel Air on these fine autumn ys—some class, Lou! . . . Agnes Kalousn has enrolled at Clark University where is attending evening classes. . . . May tcheson is now living on Elm Street. . . . September 25, we said a fond farewell to nny Burke who left here to take up new ties as secretary to Mr. Hale at Paul itin Mfg. Company. She was presented parting gift by Esther Albin and Gloria abotta. Good luck to you in your new sition, Virginia. . . . Gloria Frabotta nt to Sanford, Maine to attend her grandrents 50th wedding anniversary.

Birthday greetings to Shirle Lightbown, Sudd" Willard, Lewis Burns, Wayne nson. . . . Happy anniversary to Evelyn Namara and Mary Galleshaw.

YROLL COMPUTATION. ABULATING, BUDGETS, TATEMENTS AND FFICE TIMEKEEPING

Phyllis McQuilkin

Howdy, partners. Well, here I am once in racking my brain (brain?) to keep you e people informed with the current news. st of all—birthday wishes go to Helen ggan, Evelyn Maziarka, and George ne. . . . Anniversary wishes to Mrs. lyn Maziarka and hubby, Mr. and s. William Hall, and Mr. and Mrs. George ne. . . . Congratulations to Virginia od on receiving her 5-year pin. . . . ginia Wood accompanied by her husband cocker spaniel took a trip to Lake George and Niagara Falls. Hope you had a pleasant trip and the dog wasn't too much trouble. . . . Guess everyone in the department can relax now that the two-week danger period is over and welcome Dorothy Hamblin back after a bout with the mumps. Nice to have you back, Dorothy.

Warning! Anyone invited to Fay Goggin's home sniff several times before entering. Fay decided to make a pie several weeks ago and turned on the stove—broiler part—put the pie in and sat down to wait, dreaming of a nice piece of pie with a cup of coffee. Minutes later the kitchen was filled with smoke. Fay rushed and opened the oven door to find her pie going up in flames. Guess maybe you should have used the oven and not the broiler to bake the pie, Fay. Well, anyway you tried and we're proud of you. . . . The Tabulating Department, our party people, went to the Old Grist Mill for dinner and then proceeded to the Rhode Island Auditorium where they saw a very interesting variety show. . . . We are sorry to report that Ruth Kellaher is a patient at Whitinsville Hospital. We hope to see you back soon, Ruth.

MYSTERY PHOTO—If you haven't guessed who the fellow on the left is, his name is Frank "Happy" Donovan of the Milling Job. The photograph on the right was taken in 1915. Look for this man in the Foundry

WHITIN MALE CHORUS ACCLAIMED BY TEXTILE CLUB

The fame of the Whitin Male Glee Club has spread abroad in the land. Therefore, it was not surprising when the Southern New England Textile Club requested the Glee Club to sing at the Textile Club's two hundred and twenty-second dinner meeting on Friday evening, October 16. Since the Textile Club is composed largely of textile manufacturers, the Whitin Male Glee Club promptly accepted this invitation as an opportunity to "make friends and influence people" favorably towards the Whitin Machine Works.

The members of the Glee Club were the guests of the Textile Club at dinner in the Narragansett Hotel in Providence, Rhode Island, and the Glee Club fared sumptuously on steak or lobster thermidor, according to preference. After the dinner there was a short business meeting. Then Mr. Harry Moss, Vice-President of the Whitin Machine Works, proudly introduced the Whitin Male Glee Club, their Director, Mr. C. Alexander Peloquin, and their accompanists.

The Glee Club presented a concert which was composed chiefly of light and popular music from musical comedies and operettas. The concert was received enthusiastically by the members of the Southern New England Textile Club who voted the occasion the most enjoyable they had ever experienced under the auspices of the Textile Club. The members of the Glee Club were gratified with the response to their efforts and were very happy in the sure knowledge that they had brought honor and praise to their Company, the Whitin Machine Works.

On September 25, Jimmy Jones, Central Planner, retired after completing 44 years at Whitin. Production Manager F. O. Rizer presented Jim with a purse, a gift fro the office staff. Jim was guest of honor at a farewell dinner the night before he retired. More than 30 friends attended

WAGE STANDARDS

by John Romasco

"I started stamp collecting for my two sons while they were going to school and ended up with the collection for myself." An oft-repeated statement by many parents. With this quote, an introduction to Lynn Richardson, philatelist par excellence, who has been with Whitin for 32 years and has what is considered one of the best stamp collections in these regions. Starting with a few stamps, the collection has grown to 15 albums which include stamps from all over the world. Past president of the Mumford Stamp Club, his collections include: Mint and Used, United States, Regular Issues, Commemoratives, Air Mails, First Day Covers, Block of Four, Singles, and General Foreign. True to the tradition of a good collector, Lynn treasures all of his stamps.

Giggie Fettuccia and Gerard Savage were presented with their 10-year service pins, and Arthur Broadhurst was presented with his 20-year service pin. Congratulations and continued good services. . . . Mrs. Elizabeth Brown has returned to work after a short period of hospitalization. . . . Various members of the office were pretty excited when the Dodgers recently took two games in the Series but their excitement was rather short lived. Like Ole Man River the Yankees keep rolling along. . . . Mrs. Barbara Swenson and Miss "Jody" Civininni have left our employ due to a lay-off. Best of luck, and let's hope you'll return soon. . . . Mr. Walter Skers of the Foundry Division has left to accept a position in Gardner, Mass. . . . Birthdays recently celebrated: Leland Higgins, Ronald King, Elizabeth Brown, Frank Martin, Ben Musket, M. L. Richardson, and Gerard Savage. . . . Mrs. Jocelyn Shaw has returned to work after spending two weeks at Bermuda on a honeymoon trip.

MASTER LIST DEPARTMENT

by R. W. Yeo

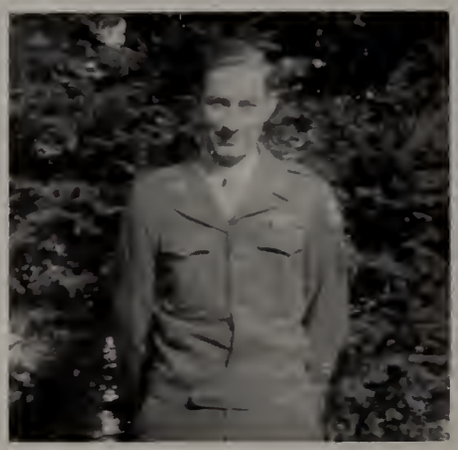
Birthday wishes to Phyllis Haringa, "Paddy" White, Ed Morse, and Evans Bedigian. . . . Anniversary congratulations to Joe and Ann Roche, Roland and Dot Boutiette, Jim and Dot McRoberts, Gordon and Anne Boutilier, Bill and Betty Skillen, Ren and Arlene Yeo, Lou and Marcella Lucier, and Tom and Muriel Nichola. . . . Belated wishes to Les Benton and Jim Ashworth upon their recent recoveries and return to work. . . . Congratulations to Barry Judson who received his five-year pin this past month.

Personality of the Month: A. Leslie Benton, Les, his wife Ruth, and their two children, Steve and Jeffrey, live at 34 Main Street, Whitinsville.

Les began working for Whitin Machine Works in 1939 in the Printing Room of the Master List Department which at that time had all male employees. After approximately one year, he transferred to the Erecting Floor for a period of one year and in 1941 was working as a grinder hand on the Tool Job until he entered the U. S. Army in 1942.

Les was attached to the U. S. Cavalry and saw combat duty in Europe for over a year before being discharged in 1945 at which time he returned to Whitin Machine Works and the Erecting Floor. He also did some road work for the Shop during this period. In 1947, Les went to No. 5 Stockroom as a pick-up man and about a ye later was promoted to supervisor of th storeroom. He remained in this capaci until he came to the Master List Departmc in 1951 as a specifications analyst and h worked on both spinning and twisting m chinery. At this time, he also had a part-tin job as plant guard in the Main Office.

As regards to outside activities, Les h many. He is a member of the Fire Depar ment, the Blood Bank, Masons, Garden Clu and the Methodist Men's Club. His hobbi encompass gardening, hunting, and fishin In addition to these interests, he is a reg mental sergeant major in the Army Reserv



Lester Benton, Master List Department Personality of the Month. He is a veteran of World War II

METHODS

by Jean Cunningham

Earl Mason's house is finally on the wa After trying in vain and striking nothi but ledge, Earl thought for awhile that h house was going to be on wheels. . . . Coburn has received his license to opera an amateur radio station. We know will have fun playing announcer, and w hope he can make many new friends th way. Al has been a ham operator for qui some time, but only recently plucked the courage to try for his license. . . . D Bunker and Paul Wheeler are keeping bu doing their good deed for their church. Th are making tables. . . . We hope by th reading that Ben Musket is back at work a well again. Ben is out on sick leave at th writing. . . . Speaking of sick leave, w are happy to have Lou Chapman back aga after an extended stay in the hospital. W missed Lou's great sense of humor while was out. . . . We said au revoir to Car McCrea and Rose Fregeau this past mont We wish them both success in any und taking they may engage in.

Birthday wishes this month to D Hamblett, Leo Petrie, and Bill Boyd. M you enjoy many more to come boys. . . We hope Shirley Noble will enjoy her ne home. Shirley moved a few weeks bac and was so glad she didn't have to hous clean this fall. . . . Happy wedding an

sary to Donald Lange of Methods and s. Lange who celebrate their second iversary this month; also to Emil Zywien Tool Design and Mrs. Zywien on their anniversary.

EPAIR SALES DEPARTMENT

Joyce Rondeau

party honoring Betty Valk was given the girls of the Processing Section at the dows in Framingham. . . . Ray Adams shamed all his neighbors on Forest Street putting on his storm windows so early! . Dick Rawlinson recently returned n Greenville, South Carolina. He made trip safely by plane! . . . Charlie icha, formerly of this office, has bought w home in Bellflower, California. . . . py anniversary this month to Madeline ver and Harry Drinkwater. . . . Charlie le recently vacationed in the White untains. . . . Ruth Crothers has more hair since her hectic ride to Boston n Sylvia Simonian at the wheel! . . . At writing Dick Rawlinson is playing off second flight of the Fall Tournament at Whitins Golf Course. We wish you luck!

o Mack Harris, who works as a chipper Department 405, and Mrs. Harris, a son, in Woonsocket on October 4.

o Alan Blizard, foreman of the Tin nder Job, and Mrs. Blizard, a daughter, in Whitinsville Hospital on October 12. and Mrs. Blizard have six sons and three ghters.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Queenan, a ghter, Shelia, born September 24, 8 lbs. s. at Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Doble, a daughter, n Ellen, born at Memorial Hospital on ber 19. Mrs. Doble is a former telephone ator.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald McGrail, a son, ald, Jr., 8 lbs. 6 ozs., born on October 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Babowitch, a son, r Paul, 8 lbs. 6 ozs., born October 14 at cester Memorial Hospital.

Arthur Bruneau and Mrs. Bruneau, a ghter, born September 21, at the Whitins- Hospital.

Harry Colton and Mrs. Colton, a son, , 7 lbs. 13 ozs., born September 26, at Memorial Hospital in Worcester.

Gilbert Baker and Mrs. Baker, a daugh- Kathy Lynn, 11 lbs., born at the Whitins- Hospital, on October 9.

To Albert Belanger and Mrs. Belanger, another daughter, their third, born October 17 in the Whitinsville Hospital.

To Armand Cournoyer, wood pattern maker, and Mrs. Cournoyer, a son, Reed Phillip, 8 lbs. 8 ozs., October 15, in the Whitinsville Hospital.

To Joseph and Mrs. Tero, a son, Joseph (not Jr.), weighing 8 lbs. 3½ ozs., September 25.

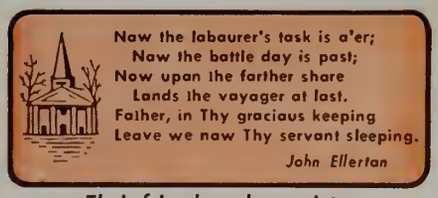
To Leo Drainville and Mrs. Drainville, a son, Robert, 8 lbs. 4 ozs.

Roger J. Cahill, U. S. Air Force, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Cahill, and Patricia A. Senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Senior of 33 Fales Street, Worcester, were married on July 4 in St. Mary's Catholic Chapel, San Antonio, Texas. Attendants were Captain Kenneth J. Cahill, brother of Roger and Rosemary L. Cahill, wife of Captain Kenneth Cahill now stationed at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. Roger and James are the sons of James Cahill, Plant Guard.

Miss Frances VonFlatern was married to Earl Christopher, Jr., at St. Augustine's Church, Millville, October 10, 1953.

May Hutcheson of the Main Office engaged to Henry Stuart, Whitin erector.

Roger J. Cahill, U. S. Air Force, married to Patricia A. Senior of Worcester, Massachusetts. From the left: A/2C Roger Cahill, Mrs. Roger Cahill, Captain and Mrs. Kenneth Cahill of Scott Air Force Base



Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Louise Mousseau on the death of her father, Arthur Roy.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tucker on the death of Mrs. Tucker's mother, Mrs. Cora Albee.

Jack Evers, of Department 466, on the death of his father in Portland, Oregon.

Florence Tupper on the death of her mother, Mrs. Lavinia DeForest.

Survivors of Edward Kelliher who died October 6 at his home in Connecticut.

John and Napoleon Deschene on the death of their sister, Mrs. Arthur Bryant.

Sympathy is extended to William Spencer on the death of his mother.

Department 401 extends its sympathy to Robert Gonynor who recently lost his mother.

Survivors of Dennis Burke, retired molder, who died in the Milford Hospital, October 5. He was an employee of the Whitin Machine Works for 50 years.

Survivors of Dan Chase, who died October 5. Dan was buried in his home town of West Springfield, N. H.

Mrs. Katharine (Whitin) Swift, 65, wife of E. Kent Swift, Hill Street, died early October 3 in the Memorial Hospital, Worcester. Mr. Swift is chairman of the board of Whitin Machine Works.

She was born in this community, third daughter of G. Marston Whitin and Catharine Lasell Whitin. She would have been 66 years old October 13.

Handicapped the last 26 years of her life by sickness, Mrs. Swift was an inspiration to her family and friends by her unfailing courage. Her life was filled with charitable acts.

She served as an officer of the American Red Cross and many other charitable organizations to which she gave generously.

She was particularly interested in the welfare of the people of Whitinsville. She and her three sisters gave to the town the gymnasium and community building known as the George Marston Whitin Memorial Gymnasium.

Besides her husband, she leaves three daughters, Elizabeth, wife of Howard S. Whiteside of Milton; Katharine, wife of Thomas P. Almy of Pelham, N. Y.; Anne, wife of John E. Sawyer of New Haven, Conn.; a son, E. Kent Swift, Jr., this town; three sisters, Elizabeth, wife of the late Lawrence M. Keeler; Elsa, wife of Sydney R. Mason, both of town; Lois, wife of William C. Crane of Leesburg, Va., and 10 grandchildren.

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Familiar Faces

Around the Plant

Arsan Ovian, of the Core Room, started in the Foundry in 1905. He has two sons and two daughters and is the chairman of the Finance Board for the New Armenian Church

Orrie Jacobs, Cylinder Job, has worked only in this department since starting in 1915. He lives in Whitinsville, has four sons, five daughters and nine grandchildren

Mrs. Jane Bliss, secretary to President Bolton, received her 25-year service pin in June. She lists painting and travelling as her hobbies

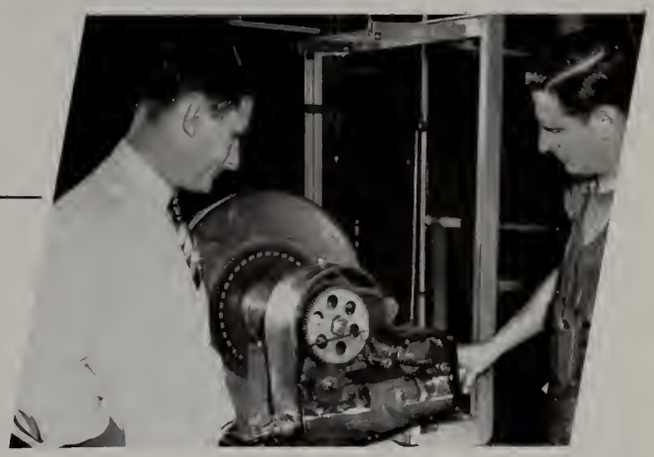
Mrs. Evelyn Johnson, time clerk in 441, has on son and lives in South Sutton. She was supervisor on Job 451 from 1927 to 1943

Moses Malkasian has been employed in the Foundry for 45 years. He has seven children and 12 grandchildren. He lives in Whitinsville and his hobby is gardening

George Kane has worked in Department 411 since 1917. He lives in Webster, has a seven-year-old son and his favorite hobbies include fishing and baseball

Napoleon SanSoucy, of the Box Job, starte here in 1909. He has two sons and six gran children. Five years ago he built a new hou for his family

Precision Parts *for* Precision Machines



Yarn let-offs for knitting machines are precisely calibrated to insure a constant speed to the yarn. From the left: Assistant Foreman Henry Beaudoin and Glen Leveille

ASK any small boy—lambs are lucky. Small boys en complain that mothers yank their hair while comb- g it. The lamb is more fortunate. His fleece, a tangled d matted mess laden with dirt and burrs, is removed fore it goes through a brisk combing action on a woolen d. This combing action may be done by the wire d clothing on a Whitin card cylinder which on the -inch width weighs 4,950 pounds. This cylinder, com- rable in size to the front roller of a large steamroller, turning with a surface speed of over 20 miles per hour, removes dirt and burrs from the wool as well as straightening out any snarls. The lamb might find the carding process uncomfortable if he were still wearing the wool.

Yet for all its ponderous bulk, a Whitin card is built with split-hair precision. The amount of run-out on the cylinder surface is held to a tolerance of .002″ and the amount of taper to .004″. After passing through a series of carding operations the scoured wool is processed into

h of the work done in Department requires exact drilling. As up leader Emil Latour, center, ches, Oscar Kurowski, left, drills apron block assembly for a denser and Albert Poudrier drills ther small part. Bernard Lefebre also operates a drill is not shown

strands called "roving," before going onto the wool spinning frames. This month the departmental article deals with Card Cylinders and Card Small Parts; next month it will deal with Card Erecting.

Part of the reputation for excellence of Whitin cards is due to the fine workmanship of the men in Department 419 and in Department 422. These two departments—Card Cylinders and Card Small Parts—are headed by Foreman Thomas S. Stevenson. Charles Hoekstra is assistant foreman of 419 and Henry Beaudoin is assistant foreman of 422. These departments, which in normal times employ about 46 employees, now employ 27.

rocker shafts, return racks, push rods, cam balls, guic bar lifting mechanisms, yarn let-offs and cloth take-up

Most of the workers in Department 422 are shown the photographs. Among the important workers n shown are: Leo Drainville, who surface grinds clutche Henry Gosselin, inspector; Rita Deome, stock and tin clerk; and Joseph Tero, planner.

Down in 419 the variety of work is less but the size the pieces is more impressive. The huge cast-iron cyli ders measure up to 60 inches in diameter and 84 inch in length. These cylinders enter the department as rou castings, are squared up, the sections bored, turned ma

Many sub-assemblies are made in Department 422. From the left: Titus Ebbeling puts together the burr trough for a card, John Sotek completes a pattern whe unit for a knitting machine, and Alec Lovallee assembles a card comb box

"The best thing about my jobs," said Foreman Thomas S. Stevenson, "is the wide variety of work we are called on to do. At the moment I really can't tell you exactly how many kinds of parts we make. Here in 422 we not only make small parts for Cards but also make parts for Knitting Machines, surface grind clutches for spinning frames, and do some work on DuPont feed rolls. Down in 419 we finish card cylinders, breasts and doffers as well as many kinds of pulleys. We have a good crew of workers."

It is impossible in an article of this length to catalogue all of the several hundred card small parts made by the 22 workers in Department 422. In addition they assemble comb boxes, comb shafts, motor drives, burr troughs, waste end blowers, apron blocks, and cylinder-bearing assemblies for cards. For knitting machines these workers assemble pattern wheel units, guide bars, four types of

and female, bolted together, and the surface groun Small wooden pegs are inserted so the card clothing c be tacked on. The cylinder is given a dynamic balan by the addition of properly located weights weighing to 75 pounds.

Important members of this department not shown the pictures are Leo Houle who does all the turning pulleys and Stephen Kucharski who assembles traver rods and wiper rolls for condensers.

Foreman Thomas S. Stevenson was born in Belfa Ireland, and entered this county at the age of 17, begi ning work here on December 14, 1921. He and M Stevenson, the former Catherine Gellatly, were marri in the Whitinsville United Presbyterian Church on Ap 14, 1927. They have three children and two grandch dren. Tom's hobbies are photography and golf.

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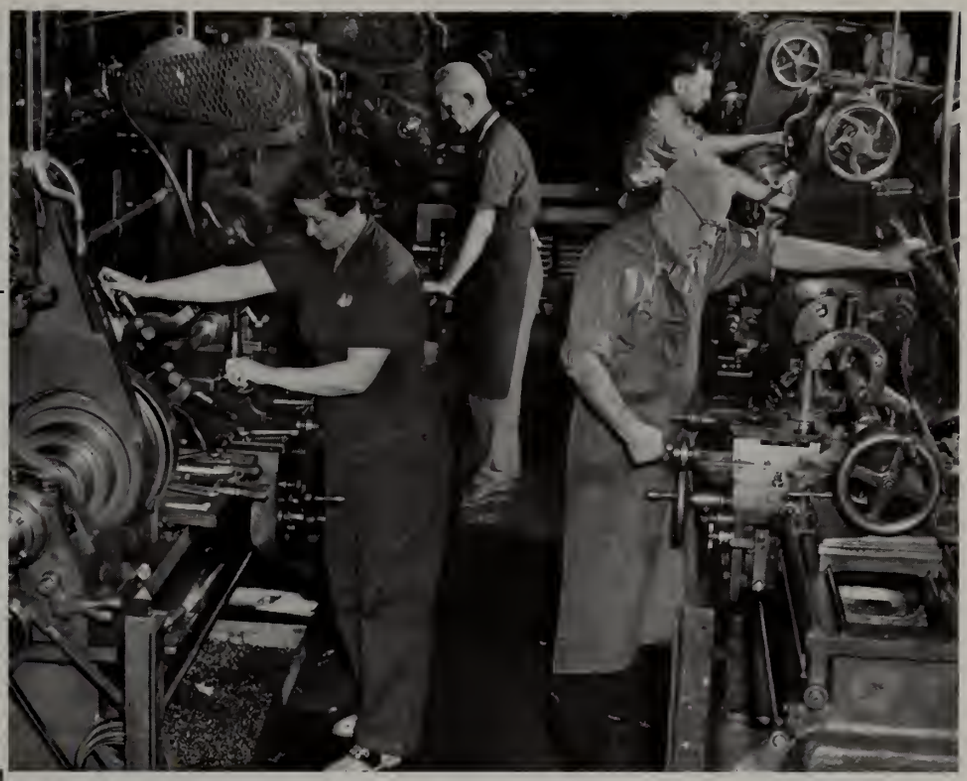
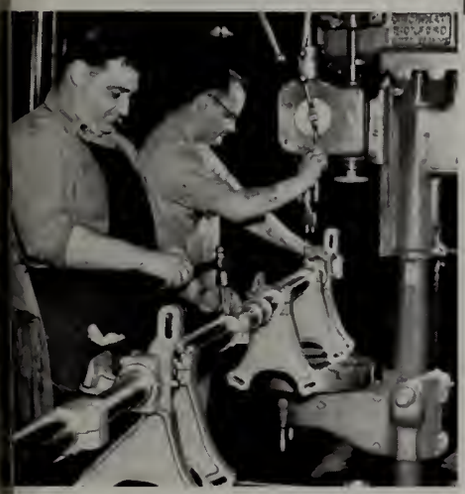


Above: The lathe section is a busy place. From the left, front row: Millie Turgeon and James Krull; back row: Leo Roberts and Richard Sanderson. Lorenzo Audet is not shown

Below: As Edward Ciccone drills a series of holes in a knitting machine needle rocker shoft William R. Moore, inserts dowel pins

Bottom: Supervised by Faremon Thomos S. Stevenson, Ernest Bonoyer, left, drills a comb shoft ossembly



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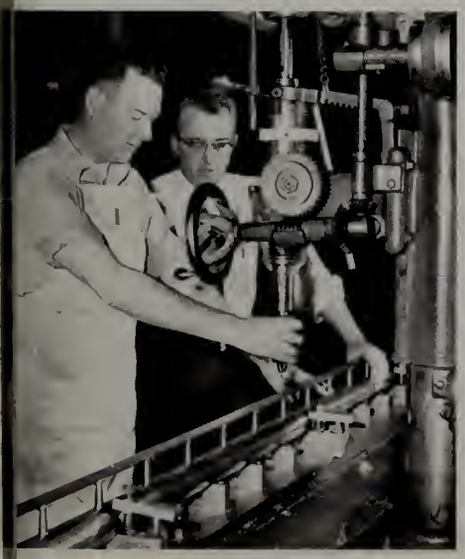
Below: Gordon Thompson, left, is hobbing a comb blode. On the right is George Forsythe, parts and process man and tool crib attendont



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Right: Orrie Jacobs, Department 419, gauges a doffer before turning it to size

Above: Joseph Ratty, Department 419, who usually bolts the two halves of the huge cylinders together, here balances a picker pulley by adding weights. This is known as static balance

Assistant Foreman Charles Hoekstra and Mrs. Hoekst live in Whitinsville and have five children and sev grandchildren. Charles is a sports enthusiast. "Am a Red Sox fan?—Natch!"

Assistant Foreman Henry Beaudoin, an Air For engineer during World War II, now lives in North U bridge with Mrs. Beaudoin. His recreations are hunti and repairing automobiles.

The senior employees in these departments are: Jam Krull, 47 years; Orrie Jacobs, 38 years; Charles Hoekst 34 years; Thomas Stevenson, 32 years; John R. Bog 30 years; Joseph Ratty, 29 years; George Forsythe, years; Titus Ebbeling, 25 years; Ernest Bonoyer, 24 yea Emil Latour, 24 years; John Sotek, 20 years; and Wend Piper, 20 years.

Under the eye of Assistant Foreman Charles Hoekstra, Wendell Piper balances a cylinder for dynamic balance. The balancing weights may be seen on the inner surface of the cylinder

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WHY SANTA CLAUS?

The name of Santa Claus for the tron saint of Christmas derives m a German-Dutch variation of e name of Saint Nicholas, who ed in the fourth century. Legend s that this good saint learned that ee young women were without tors because their father was too or to provide a dowry. St. Nick sed three bags of gold into their m one night, and they all lived ppily ever after. "San Niklaus" the Germans became "Sinteklass" the Dutch, and those who settled w York wound up with "Santa us."

THE WREATH

Most popular of Christmas decora- is is the evergreen wreath. It resents the crown of thorns which pressed on the brow of Jesus as hung on the cross. The red ber- symbolize drops of the blood He d for us.

Front Cover: This is a double barreled gift. We think every child deserves a dog and every dog deserves a child. This picture is posed by Marshall Hapworth, son of John Hapworth, Research Division, and Vicky, a six-month-old cocker.

Whitin Personality

James F. Marshall, a jovial, friendly fellow, has been a Whitin salesman for the past 30 years. According to his associates, Jim is an expert on problems pertaining to rings, spindles, and spinning frames and twisters.

He was born in Whitinsville on April 12, 1886, and is one of the seven children in the Marshall family. After receiving his education in the local schools he continued studying high school and prep school subjects under the tutelage of the late Dr. Houston, who at that time was the pastor of the Whitinsville United Presbyterian Church. "Dr. Houston was a good teacher and he helped many to further their education," said Jim.

When Jim reached the age of 14, in the year 1900, he became an employee of the Whitin Machine Works. He started on David Marshall's Job and one of his first assignments was finishing the Blue Eagle emblem which hangs in front of the Inn today.

At the age of 18 he started his apprenticeship training to be a machinist. After completing the three-year course he worked on both the Comber Job and the Metal Pattern Job. Later he was appointed assistant foreman of the Loom Parts Job. He held this position until Whitin started manufacturing looms in 1914. At that time he went into the Experimental Room to work on looms. He demonstrated a Whitin loom in the first textile show ever held in Greenville, South Carolina.

In 1918, he was appointed foreman of the Hank Clock Job. The first women employed in the Shop were trained to operate the machines in this Department. Various types of machines were brought onto this job and after a sufficient training period the women were transferred to other sections of the Shop to operate similar machines.

Jim was foreman of this department for five years before entering the Sales Department in 1923. For the past 30 years he has travelled up and down the eastern seaboard and Canada selling textile machinery to our customers.

Jim lives at 22 Spring Street, Whitinsville, and has one son, one daughter, and four grandchildren. James W. works in the Repair Sales Department and daughter Mary is married to the Principal of Searles High School in Great Barrington.

Jim's hobbies include golf, gardening, and working crossword puzzles. He is a member of the Whitinsville Golf Club, Granite Lodge, A. F. and A. M., St. Elmo Chapter, and is an elder in the United Presbyterian Church where he has been a member for 50 years.

A Christmas Message

from Our President

As we approach the Christmas holidays we have much for which to be thankful. The war in Korea, insofar as actual shooting is concerned, is over for the present, which means that no longer American and other lives are being sacrificed. There is uneasiness and fear throughout the world. When you think of the millions of people in Christian countries living in virtual slavery, how thankful we can be that we are living in this great country. It seems to me that this should give us every incentive to turn our thoughts to the full significance of Yuletide.

This holiday at least is one that is celebrated on the same day all over the Christian world; each country, of course, having its own particular manner or custom of observing this most happy day. Many of us, I fear, are inclined to forget, in the hustle and bustle of our holiday activities, just why this day has been set aside universally. We forget that it is the birthday of the Prince of Peace which has been celebrated on down through the centuries. As all nations turn to Him in unison on this day, may we hope and pray that the collective will of the individuals to live together in a world of peace and harmony may override any action of the selfish and power greedy, wherever located, who would have it otherwise.

It is a day of happiness, and from my heart I wish you all a most joyous Christmas and Holiday Season.

Sincerely,

J. Hugh Bolton

President

Christmas Music in Our Churches

The Village Congregational Church

Rev. Leslie W. Chapman, *Pastor*

D. R. Fuller, *Organist*

CHRISTMAS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

SUNDAY MORNING

Prelude—"Three Noels" . . . . . *Daquin*

Anthem—"Behold a Star" . . . . . *Mendelssohn*

Offertory—"When the Sun Had Sunk to Rest" . . *French Carol*

VESPER SERVICE

Prelude:

Organ—"In Dulci Jubilo" . . . . . *J. S. Bach*

Carols—"In Dulci Jubilo"
"Bring a Torch Jeanette, Isabella"
"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"
"What Child Is This"

Anthems—"To God on High Be Glory" . . . . *J. S. Bach*
Three Choruses from "The Messiah"
"And the Glory of the Lord"
"Surely He Hath Borne Our Griefs"
"O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings to Zion"
"In Joseph's Lovely Garden" . . . . . *Spanish*
"Wassail Song" . . . . . *English*
"Sleep of the Child Jesus" . . . . . *French*
"Carol of the Bells" . . . . . *Ukranian*

Christian Reformed Church

Rev. Richard De Ridder, *Pastor*

CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICE

DECEMBER 25, 10:00 a.m.

Organ Prelude—"Gloria in Excelsis" . . . . . *Mozart*

Hymns—"While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"
Arr. from R. S. Willis
"Joy to the World, the Lord Is Come" . *Lowell Mason*

Offertory—"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" . . . . . *Bach*

Hymns—"God Is Known Among His People" . . . . *Pinder*
"Hark the Herald Angels Sing" . *Arr. from Mendelssohn*

CHRISTMAS EVENING SERVICE

DECEMBER 25, 7:00 p.m.

"O Thou Joyful Day" . . . . . *Sicilian Melody*
"Gloria Patri" . . . . . *Greatorex*
"Come Hither Ye Faithful" . . . . *Cantus Diversi, 1751*
"The Beautiful Hills of Judea" . . . . . *Lillenas*

Violin Solo—"Jesu Bambino" . . . . . *Yon*

Piano Duet—"Christmas Echoes" . . . . . *Ryder*
"We Love to Hear the Christmas Songs" . . . . *Lillenas*
"Hallelujah" . . . . . *Wilson*
"Joy to the World" . . . . . *Handel*
"Hallelujah . . . . . *Ohl*

The Methodist Church

Rev. Delphas S. Barnett, *Pastor*

CHRISTMAS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20, 10:45 a.m.

Prelude—"Prelude on Two Old French Noels"
Ballastre, arr. by Dickinson
"Pastoral Symphony" from "The Messiah" . . . *Handel*

Anthems:

Altar Choir—"The Angels' Song" *Russian Carol, arr. by Lapo*

Combined Balcony and Senior Choirs—"Glory to God"
Bitgood

Senior Choir—"Sing Gloria" . . . . . *Davis*

Offertory—"A Christmas Pastorale" . *Vallentine, arr. by Biggs*

Postlude—"Hallelujah Chorus" from "The Messiah" . *Handel*

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 7:00 p.m.

Prelude—"Prelude and Christmas Pastoral" from "The Manger Throne" . . . . . *Manney*
"Christmas Evening" from "Sicilian Suite" . . *Mauro-Cottone*

Anthems:

Combined Altar and Balcony Choirs
"O Come, Little Children" . . *German Carol, arr. by Morgan*
"While Shepherds Watched" . . . . . *Williams*

Senior Choir
"Let Carols Ring" . *Folk Melody from Sweden, arr. by Black*
"Go Tell It on the Mountain" *Christmas Spiritual, arr. by Work*

Combined Altar, Balcony, and Senior Choirs
"Bethlehem" . . . . . *Goldsworthy*

Solos—"He Came as a Babe from Heaven" . . . *Humphreys*
"The New Born King" . . . . . *L'Espoir*
"They Sang That Night in Bethlehem" . . . *Schubert*
"A Christmas Lullaby" . . . . . *Rodgers*
"Emmanuel" . . . . . *Rossini*

Offertory—"A Christmas Lullaby" . . . *Carol, arr. by Voris*

Postlude—"Christmas Offertorium" . . . . . *Lemmens*

The United Presbyterian Church

Rev. Paul E. Carson, *Pastor*

CHRISTMAS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

MORNING WORSHIP—10:45 a.m.

Prelude—"Noel" . . . . . *D'Auquin*

Call to Worship—"In Thee Is Gladness"

Anthems—"Come to My Heart, Lord Jesus" . . . . . *Rogers*
"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"
From the Poem by Longfellow

Offertory—"Christmas Chorale" . . . . . *Deigendesch*

Postlude—"Fanfare, in D" . . . . . *Bridge*

EVENING WORSHIP—7:00 p.m.

Prelude—Nativity Miniatures from a Suite by *Taylor* including:
"Procession Toward Jerusalem"
"Nightfall in Bethlehem"
"The Manger Scene"

Offertory—"Paean of the Nativity" . . . . . *Taylor*

Postlude—"Gloria in Excelsis" . . . . . *Harrison*

The Youth Fellowship Choir Will Sing—"Angels Now in Heaven Are Singing" . . . . . *French Carol, arr. by Norman*
"The First Noel" . . . . . *Traditional*

This service will be primarily a "Carol sing" of the old, familiar Christmas Carols, with the Youth Fellowship Choir assisting the pastor.

The Christmas Music Programs from St. Patrick's Church and The Trinity Episcopal Church were not received for publication.

"And he who gives a child a treat
Makes joy-bells ring in Heaven's street.

Operation Santa Claus

Ernest Smith, foreman of the Paint Job for mony years, now paints toys for children in orphonages ond hospitals. Here we see him applying aluminum paint to a toy airplane that would quicken the pulse of any boy

Andrew Buwalda, a good mechonic, repoirs most of the large toys. While hunting recently, Andy found two pairs of old rusty wheels. He carried them to the Gym and with the help of Arthur Clarke a body wos made and assembled ta the wheels. Finolly they came up with a wagon thot looked as though it had just come from the factory

William Murphy, left, and Ernest Keyes, two retired employees who give their time to the repair of toys

When Masefield wrote the lines above he might ha been writing of Northbridge, 1953, for here, thanks to t golden-hearted members of the Retired Men's Clu many, many children will be given a treat on Christm Day. From their workshop on the second floor of t Gymnasium a veritable torrent of toys—in many cas in better shape than the day they left the factory—w flow to local children who otherwise might have receiv few gifts.

The men who have been most active in this project- William Murphy, Arthur Clarke, Andrew Buwald Richard Sanderson, Sr., Ernest Keyes, Robert Smyth an Ernest Smith—are modest about their work of toy re toration. In actual fact, starting with smashed toys, the have performed near miracles. If you pass by the Gy why not drop in and see for yourself what they have don

These men take badly worn and damaged toys donate by public-spirited townspeople. It may be a toy truc squashed flat by an auto, a doll crib with a broken sid or a rust-covered tricycle minus a wheel. Whatever broken is repaired or replaced, the toy is cleaned an given a gleaming coat of paint, and the finished toy is sturdy and attractive as the day it was purchased. I many cases parts can be salvaged from toys damage beyond repair.

Another amazing thing is the amount of work done an the hours put in by this informal group. The member decide what they want to do, when they want to do i how they want to do it, and then do it. Ernest Smitl a 34-year Whitin employee, summed the situation u when he said "We're amateurs at carpentry, metalwor and such, but enthusiastic amateurs."

About the only problem that these men face is that the are constantly working themselves out of their supply damaged toys. Many people have thought that th battered, broken rusty wrecks that many toys are aft a year's wear are too far gone to be of use. Perish th thought! Donate them! The fellows report that the almost certainly will be able to use them. Wooden an metal toys are easier to repair than plastic ones.

In many cases they are able to make something fro what seems to be nothing. For example, Andy Buwald interrupted a hunt—a thing Andy seldom does—to salvag an abandoned set of wheels. A body was built of scra lumber—now some happy youngster will have one of th best carts in town.

These men are already thinking of the year ahea They realize that after Christmas is the time when man children will abandon old toys for their new gifts. Th

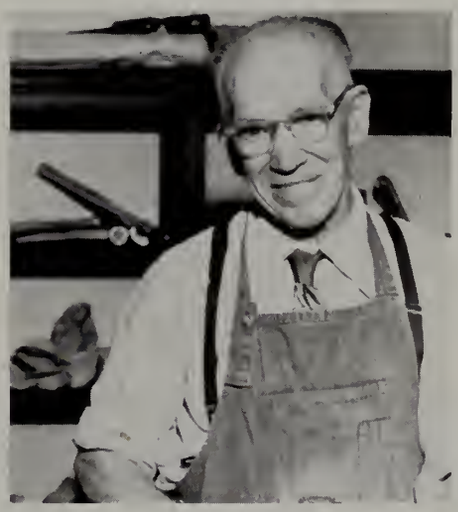
Retired Men will be glad to have them. Members of the Civil Air Patrol and the Boy Scouts cooperate in picking up damaged toys for delivery to the Gym.

The idea for the club originated with Mr. Frank N. Stone, personnel director. The Whitin Machine Works furnishes paints, brushes, and parts. The Whitin Community Association supplies the tools and a room for the use of the club. Otherwise the group is on its own. The club members enjoy their work, for in the words of Ernest C. Smith "There is nobody to bother us and tell us we're not working." The members may later decide to branch out and add other activities.

Among the other members of the club are George McGrath, Weston Ellis, John Carroll, James Bedford and William Ashworth.

Last month, when a canvass for toys was made in the New Village, winsome Shirley Bianco unselfishly gave up her stuffed rabbit

Above: Richard Sonderson, Sr., a jack-of-all-trades, is a great asset to the Club



Right: Arthur Clarke, always one to lend a helping hand, travels from Uxbridge almost every day to work on the toys

Above: The Boy Scouts, assisted by Bob Wood, picked up enough toys in New Village to keep the Club members busy for several weeks

Right: The Boy Scouts and members of the Civil Air Patrol knocked on the door of every house in the New Village in their search for toys

It's Everybody's Business

Mr. James C. Rankine, chairman of the Safety Committee

What is everybody's business? Safety is everybody's business. Why? Because it means the difference between security and uncertainty, between happiness and sorrow, and comfort and poverty.

The members of the Whitin Safety Organization know the importance of safety. They realize safe work is no flash-in-the-pan operation. It's a year-round, day-long, minute-by-minute job.

More than 300 members attended the annual safety banquet at the Whitin Cafeteria on November 12.

At 6:30 the guests filed into the dining hall where they were soon served individual beef pie dinners especially prepared by the Cafeteria staff.

At the conclusion of the dinner, Mr. James C. Rankine, chairman of the Safety Committee, welcomed the safety personnel and presented the Whitin Male Glee Club who entertained the group with a half-hour program of familiar music.

Mr. Melvin McCully, safety engineer and representative from the Poige Foundation

Mr. Bolton, when called upon by Mr. Rankine, stated he had no particularly important message for the safety personnel this year. However, those who heard his speech felt that the experience he had selling textile machinery to a customer in Lewiston, Maine, should be an inspiration to all Whitin employees.

Excerpts taken from Mr. Bolton's informal speech are as follows: "I came here to be entertained and not to be entertaining. I feel well rewarded so far by our own Whitin Male Glee Club. I think they are wonderful and I am proud of them.

"The reason why I say I came here to be entertained is because the message I might have delivered to you was published in The Whitin Spindle last month and I am sorry to say that conditions have altered very little if any since then.

"I just returned from Europe a week ago tonight. While in Europe I attended a very good textile machinery show and I think that I should report that the Europeans are catching up with us very fast. It was a good show. They had some wonderful machinery and with their low wages they are going to give us even a tighter rub than they have in the past. On the other hand I don't think they have caught up yet. It just behooves us to work a little harder to stay ahead and I am sure we can do it, but they are certainly giving us a run for our money now.

"Today I called on a customer who was interested in buying two Wool Spinning Frames, that's nothing. However, it's a group of mills who have resisted purchasing Wool Spinning Frames right up to now, but at last they feel they no longer can put off the day of at least trying out the Wool Spinning Frames. If these two frames which they are going to install are successful probably a year from now when they build their new mill they will put in 20 or 30 more at least, and another group of mills in Maine is following the progress of this first group very carefully with the idea of buying exactly the same type of equipment that group number one buys. So you can see that although it is only two Wool Spinning Frames now, it is extremely important. Now that we have the order for the two Wool Spinning Frames the rest is up to us, our erectors, our servicemen, our organization and I'm sure we will do a splendid job, so that a year from now we will get the big order.

"Driving on the new toll road reminded me of the summer when a mill in Lewiston, Maine, was interested in buying some Wool Spinning Frames. Every Monday morning, the whole summer long, I shoved off from Cape Cod at three o'clock in the morning in order to be at the mill in Lewiston between 10 and 10:30. Also my chief competitor, who had a cottage somewhere in Maine, happily had to get up about the same time I did in order

Audience listens attentively to guest speakers

get there ahead of me. He had his conference from to 10:30. This went on every Monday throughout e whole summer. Finally, the Monday after Labor ay I got that order!"

In conclusion Mr. Bolton said, "I simply want to leave is one thought with you. The going is rough at the oment. I'm not discouraged and I don't want you to e discouraged. We've gone through these times before d with the cooperation of everyone and with the line of achinery we build, I am thoroughly satisfied that as e textile business itself improves we are going to find at our employment will pick up. I'm sure we are going get orders."

Mr. Rankine gave a brief report on the results of the safety contest which we enter each year and which is sponsored by the National Safety Council: "Out of 30 plants who are in our classification, we came out eighth in severity and frequency. Now that's a good record but not good enough. There is no reason why we can't come out in first place as well as in eighth place. It only takes a little more effort, a little more care, a little more supervision, to bring about that result. On the whole we did a good job but there is always room for improvement. Let's get up there so we can point with pride to first place."

Mr. Erik Pierson, works manager, in a brief speech to the safety personnel said, "I have checked over the

More than 300 safety personnel attended the annual banquet

As usual the Whitin Male Glee Club made a hit with the audience

records which the Safety Committee compiled on the types of accidents and the progress which has been made. It seems to me that we are improving right along which is very gratifying. As Jim said however, there is still room for improvement. I am very happy about the housekeeping, which is gradually improving. I think that is one of the factors which contributes to the improved safety record. The Safety Committee is doing a lot of work and I feel they are doing a good job. You can help them a lot on the job."

The next speaker was Mr. Melvin McCully, safety engineer from the Paige Foundation: "During the past year you have obtained a wonderful frequency. The last known frequency which was published by the Personnel Department and which was accepted by the United States Department of Labor was not eight but was way down to three.

"During the past year you have been honored by the Worcester Safety Council, you have been honored by the National Safety Council, and also you were honored by the Government of the United States when they asked the Whitin Machine Works to participate in the President's conference on Industrial Safety in Washington. I might add that your chairman of the evening, Mr. Rankine, did a splendid job down there representing the Whitin Machine Works.

"The primary purpose of all the safety activities in this plant is the saving of human lives and the prevention of human suffering. Please accept my congratulations on a job well done. My sincere wishes for your continued success."

Mr. P. B. Walker, plant fire chief, spoke on the hazards of fire and smoking in the plant: "I would like to bring to your attention just one thought, which you as the safety folks in our plant should take very seriously to heart. I've heard throughout the plant in the last couple of months, 'It can't happen here!' What were they referring to? They were referring to the General Motors fire in Michigan in August, in which six people lost their lives, 40 were seriously injured, and 55 million dollars worth of property was destroyed in a few hours. General Motors didn't think it could happen but it did.

"We have certain smoking rules and they are not put in just so management can impose a hardship on you. They are put in because in our modern plant we have materials which are inflammable, areas in which it is not safe to smoke. We ask you folks who direct our plant to see that these rules are carried out. We also have a number of folks in the plant who get careless. Almost every day as I go through the plant I find some individual smoking as he walks from one department to another. It is this kind of employee who can go through the Carpenter Shop or Paint Department and start a fire by dropping a cigarette butt or a spark. The result could mean loss of life and loss of work. All I ask of you is not to say, 'It can't happen here' but say, 'As far as I'm concerned it will not happen here!'"

Two acts of vaudeville concluded the evening program

The Demnatti Trio—a fast Arabian tumbling act

Hobby—

MAKE YOUR OWN

Candles for Christmas

If your eye has been delighted with the enormous, colorful Christmas candles in the stores but your heart has been saddened by the price tags as high as $5.00—cheer up! You can make a similar candle for as little as 80 cents. Here is how Harold Libby, Traffic Department, does it.

You need as tools a knife, a spoon, a simple egg beater, and a double boiler. For materials you need three boxes of ordinary paraffin, plumber's wicking, and flitter or artist dust. The wax costs about 70 cents, a ball of wicking large enough for a hundred candles costs less than half a dollar, and artist dust—available in gold, silver, blue, green and red—costs 35 cents. Flitter costs $1.50 a pound but may be purchased in four-ounce quantities.

Harold melts one box in the double boiler. While it is melting he takes two slabs and with the knife cuts a groove for the wick. He puts the wick in place, then sloshes melted wax over the slabs and places two more slabs on top. Additional slabs are cemented on either side in the same manner. Using the spoon, the cracks are filled with melted wax.

Then the melted wax is removed from the boiler, allowed to partially cool, and whipped with the egg beater until the wax turns white. Harold then scoops off the top wax and applies it to the top of the candle in the manner of a housewife frosting a cake. He leaves some rough spots.

Either flitter or artist dust is then shaken on to the still warm wax from a shaker made from an old jar. Added color and character may be given the finished candle by rubbing the colored dust into the high spots with a small piece of cotton cloth. As a final step the wick is trimmed to a height of $\frac{5}{16}$ inch. If kept at this height the candle burns without smoking for about 80 hours.

Smaller candles may be made by the same technique. Harold at times uses cookie cutters, rubber balls, and plastic tumblers as moulds for varied shaped candles. He feels that the average person can easily learn this skill in an evening.

Harold and Mrs. Libby live at 345 Hill Street, Whitinsville.

Making Christmas candles is fun for informal groups like this and cuts down on the expenses. From the left: Thelma Meader, Frances Guertin, Philip Meader, Shirley Lightbown, Connie Dale, Harold Libby, Arthur Malo, and Cecile Malo

No light is softer or more flattering than candlelight. Candles add that festive touch to the Christmas board. From the left: Cecile Malo, Alice Libby, and Arthur Malo

Richard, shown with beagle, is the son of Burnham Cook, office manager of Department 466

Kenneth, Brendo, and Dennis Cahill are the grondchildren of James F. Cahill, guard

Sharon Lee is the daughter of William DeMague, Department 430

The Family Album

Donald, four years old, ond Patricia, two years old, are the children of Adrian Ballou, Deportment 439

Janice is 11 years old ond ottends Assumption School in Millbury. Her father is Albert Girouord of 438

Below: David is the son of Norman Wright, "Spindle" editor

Susan Lynn Kachigian is five months old ond the granddaughter of Gorabed Kachigian, Department 430

Linda Ann is the 16-month-old daughter of Leo Petrie, Methods Deportment

Michael Joseph is the eight-month-old son of Anthony Campo, Jr., who works in Department 450

Sarah Barsamian is the niece of Alice DerTorosian of the Repair Sales Department

Ready for o ride on the pony are Elaine Susan Joanis, Dione Mae Roy, Alberta Roy, Nancy Roy, and Edmund Joanis. They are the grandchildren of Lester Sheldon, Department 466

laine, age two ond o half years, is he granddoughter of George Demers, Department 429

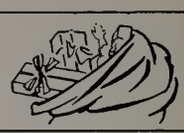
On the left: Nancy Linda, age two years, is the daughter of Setrak Akillian of Department 432

Below: Earl C. Fletcher, Jr., age eight months, is the grondson of Leon W. Fletcher of Department 439

Carol and Robert, Jr., children of Robert Waod, assistant employment manager

Joanne is eight months old and the daughter of Edward Bates, clerk in Department 439

Safety in Santa's Sack



Age and Interests	Hazards	Suggestions
THE "HAND TO MOUTH" AGE *UP TO 2 YEARS*	Avoid small toys which may be swallowed . . . flammable objects . . . toys with small removable parts . . . poisonous paint on any object . . . stuffed animals with glass or button eyes.	Sturdy rattles . . . brightly colored objects hung in view . . . rubber or washable squeak toys and stuffed dolls or animals . . . large, soft colored balls . . . blocks with rounded corners . . . push-and-pull toys with strings or rounded handles . . . nests of objects.
THE EXPLORATIVE AGE *2 TO 3 YEARS*	Avoid anything with sharp or rough edges which will cut or scratch . . . objects with small removable parts . . . poisonous paint or decoration . . . marbles . . . beads . . . coins . . . flammable toys.	Sand box with bucket, shovel and spoon . . . large peg boards . . . wooden animals . . . cars and wagons to push around . . . tip-proof kiddie ears and tricycles . . . large crayons . . . low rocking horse . . . small chair and table.
THE "LET'S PRETEND" AGE *3 TO 4 YEARS*	Avoid toys which are too heavy for child's strength . . . poorly made objects which may come apart, break or splinter . . . sharp or cutting toys . . . highly flammable costumes . . . electrical toys.	Small broom and carpet sweeper . . . toy telephone . . . dolls with simple wrap-around clothing . . . doll buggies and furniture . . . dishes . . . miniature garden tools . . . trucks and tractors . . . non-electrical train . . drum . . costume clothes . . building blocks.
BEGINNING OF CREATIVE AGE *4 TO 6 YEARS*	Avoid shooting or target toys which will endanger eyes . . . ill-balanced mobile toys (tricycles, wagons, etc.) which may topple easily . . . poisonous painting sets . . . pinching or cutting objects.	Blackboard and dustless chalk . . . simple construction sets . . . paints and paint books . . . doll house and furniture . . . small sports equipment . . . skipping rope . . . wash tub and board . . . paper doll sets with blunt end scissors . . . costumes . . . modelling clay.
BEGINNING OF DEXTERITY AGE *6 TO 8 YEARS*	Avoid non-approved electrical toys . . . anything too large or complicated for child's strength and ability . . . sharp edged tools . . . poorly made skates . . . conductible kites . . . shooting toys.	Carpenter bench and well-constructed, lightweight tools . . . sled . . . construction sets . . . roller skates . . . approved electrical toys . . . kites . . . equipment for playing store, bank, filling station, etc. . . . playground equipment . . . puzzles and games . . . sewing materials . . . dolls and equipment.
SPECIALIZATION OF TASTES AND SKILLS *8 AND OLDER*	Avoid air rifles, chemistry sets, dart games, bows and arrows, dangerous tools and electrical toys UNLESS used under parental supervision . . . motor scooters . . . non-approved electrical toys.	Hobby materials, arts and crafts, photography, coin and stamp collections, puppet shows . . . musical instruments . . . gym and sports equipment . . . model and construction building sets . . . electric train with Underwriters' Laboratories approval . . . bicycle . . . science sets.

PREVENT A

Christmas Tree Tragedy

THE Christmas rush is upon us again, and it's something no one in the family can escape. Besides gifts to buy, there's the tree to arrange for, and the house to decorate, and Christmas cookies to make—all added to the ordinary chores of everyday living. Everyone is pressed into service, and it seems as if there isn't time for one more thing!

But there is one more item that must be worked into that overflowing schedule, and that's *fire prevention.* Otherwise, fire can easily wipe out everything you were rushing so madly to get done—and a great deal more!

Perhaps you never realized it, but Christmas is a particularly dangerous time of year for your home and family, warns the National Board of Fire Underwriters. Naturally the usual winter hazards are present: open fires, plus heaters and furnaces in operation—which, besides being dangerous in themselves, lower the humidity in the house and tend to dry things out. Besides these things, there are the seasonal hazards of combustible objects like Christmas greens and trees, paper wrappings and decorations, besides extra electrical wiring and maybe lighted candles, too.

Biggest holiday problem—and it's in a class by itself when we're discussing hazards—is the Christmas tree. Because it is full of pitch and resin, a fir tree is one of the most combustible objects known—and once ignited it burns so rapidly that it is just about impossible to extinguish. Here are the National Board's suggestions to minimize the danger of having a Christmas tree fire:

1. Choose a small tree. It's less dangerous than a large one.

2. Don't set it up until a few days before Christmas. Until then, keep it outdoors.

3. Place it in the coolest part of the house, away from fireplaces or radiators. Don't let it block an exit.

4. Stand it in water, or use a live tree planted in a tub of earth.

5. Never use cotton or paper for decoration on or around the tree.

6. Don't put electric trains under the tree.

7. Use only electric lights, never candles, and see that the wires are not frayed. Be sure the wiring sets for the lights you choose are marked as having been inspected by Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc.

8. Provide a switch some distance from the tree for turning tree lights on and off. Don't plug or unplug them beneath the tree.

9. Throw away gift wrappings as soon as the presents are opened; don't let them pile up near the tree.

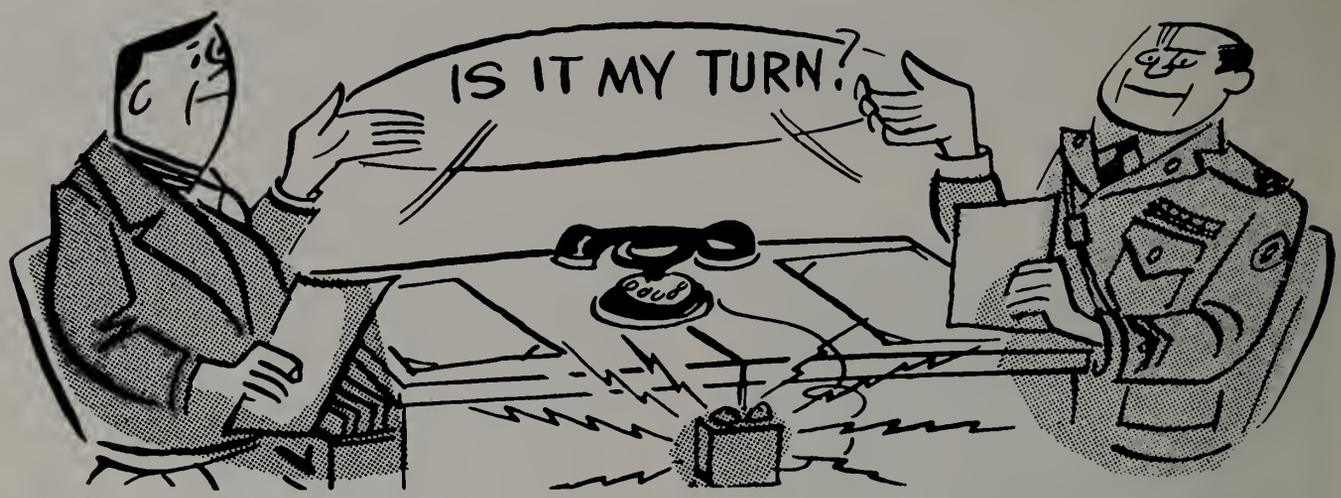
10. Don't leave tree lights burning when no one is home.

11. If needles near the lights turn brown, move the lights.

12. When needles start to fall, take the tree down and discard it.

This year, remember the holiday hazards and give a thought to safety. It won't detract from the fun. Instead, it will help make sure the fun isn't spoiled—by fire!

WORTH THINKING ABOUT



Why Two When One Would Do ?

Both the Army and Air Force could go a long way toward Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson's manpower reduction plans if they'd *abandon their custom of having civilian and military executives doing duplicate jobs in Washington.*

That's an opinion held today by many upper-bracket Pentagon workers in and out of uniform.

It's common to find a $750-a-month colonel and a $600-a-month civilian at tandem desks in a Washington office, both puttering about in a job that (they may privately agree) could be done by one of them.

Usually the colonel is in charge.

And usually the civilian has more savvy about the job.

This stems from the services' long-standing determination to resist civilian "interference" all down the line in Washington.

The idea is to let the civilians carry on with the work, but to keep a uniformed watchdog in the office to preserve the military's command and prestige . . .

Pentagon workers say that if the duplicate-job system were abolished, the Pentagon force of more than 20,000 civilians and 10,000 military personnel could be cut by at least 10 per cent—and in the high-salary categories at that.

Source: Excerpts from Article by Albert M. Colgrove, N. Y. World-Telegram & Sun, April 8, 1953.

Support Efforts of the Eisenhower Administration to Cut Wasteful Federal Spending

The panacea for all political ills is simple goodness.—Quotation from Good Business.

If you keep an open mind, there's a chance something valuable will drop into it.

Man can make an atom bomb
It has come to pass;
Man can make an atom bomb—
But not a blade of grass!

Two Wacs were being followed by a soldier. Finally one became indignant and, turning to the soldier, said: "Either quit following us or go and get a friend."

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"Pop, what are women?"

"Women are what men marry, Tommy."

"Gosh, we don't get much choice, do we?"

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A panhandler stopped a wealthy man on the street. "Can you give me six cents for a cup of coffee?"

"Why, coffee is a dime."

"So who buys retail?" said the panhandler.

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The height of mixed emotions is a man seeing his mother-in-law backing over a high cliff in his new Cadillac.

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"Calling all cars—Calling all cars—be on the lookout for a one-legged hunchback!"

Back from car 26 came this question: "Any distinguishing marks?"

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This gem was reported to have been overheard in a Wyoming restaurant: An attractive young lady was telling her friend, "I didn't say your husband had a wart on his lip—I merely said it felt like a wart!"

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The speaker of the evening at a teachers' banquet was waxing eloquent upon his theme of the civilizing effect of education.

"And the agent in this great movement is the humble teacher," he declared sonorously. "I say, long live the teachers!"

A tall, emaciated woman in the rear of the room arose and in a hollow voice inquired, "On what?"

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Fellow we know woke up one morning with his feet on the pillow and his head at the foot of the bed.

"I declare," he said to his wife, "I thought I had a headache but it was really my corns hurting."

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The fellow drove up in front of a saloon—got out and took a bucket out of the back of the buggy. He entered the saloon and called for a bucket of Martinis for his horse. After his horse downed the bucket, the man re-entered and said, "Just a half a bucket this round." As the bartender mixed them up, he asked, "Can I fix YOU something?"

"My no!" said the fellow. "I gotta drive."

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"Lay down, pup, lay down," ordered the man. "Good doggie—lay down, I say."

"You'll have to say lie down, mister," declared the small boy, "that's a Boston terrier."

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"Mummy," said little Brian, "Percy doesn't know how to swim because his Mummy won't let him go near the water."

"Well, Percy's a very good little boy."

"Yes," answered Brian, thoughtfully, "and he'll go to Heaven the first time he falls in."

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"The boss offered me an interest in the business today."

"He did?"

"Yeah—he said that if I didn't take an interest pretty soon he'd fire me."

KEEPING UP WITH THE NEWS

William Provost, Foundry Personality of the Month, had his picture taken by Gerard Brouillette

SPINNING SMALL PARTS

by Phyllis Maker

One morning recently Jake Sohigian thought he was late for work, so he jumped out of bed, hurriedly dressed, got to the front door then he "woke up" and realized it was Saturday. Poor Jake—to think he could have stayed in bed! . . . Harry Freeman's son, Harry, Jr., who is in the Army, was home on furlough. . . . "Red" Trainor, formerly of this department, was home recently. He has been transferred from Randolph Field, Texas, to Forbes Field, Kansas. . . . The Donald McKenzies enjoyed a wonderful week end in New York.

Get-well wishes to Wilfred Elie and Eddie Osiecki who are both out on extended sick leaves. . . . Celebrating wedding anniversaries this month are Mr. and Mrs. John Dufries and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Grondine.

COMBER JOB

by Terry Merolli

Carl Froding is all set for the hunting season. He has his license and has promised us a pheasant. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kooistra spent the Thanksgiving holiday with their daughter Sylvia and husband in Chicago. . . . Birthday greetings this month to Charlie Roukema, Tom Salvia, George Catterson, John Solina, John Cunningham and Pat Kelley. . . . Anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Lou Cassista and to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hopkins.

Personality of the Month: George Catterson was born in Artic, R. I., on December 20, 1889. He later moved to Providence where he attended school. When the Providence Machine Shop was purchased by Whitin Machine Works in 1910, George began working as an erector on those frames. After two years he returned to Providence where he conducted his own milk business for a number of years. In 1937 George returned and began working on the Picker Job as an erector. From there he transferred over to Department 424 as our parts and process man. His winning smile and happy-go-lucky ways have won him many friends. He has two sons and a daughter Helen with whom he makes his home in North Uxbridge. He also has six grandchildren. His hobbies are playing cards and reading stories to his little granddaughter, Linda. He loves to cook and can roast a turkey that would melt in your mouth. . . . Don McGrail, one of our apprentices, has left to work at Research for a few weeks and Frank Clark of Department 445 has returned to the Speeder Job. Good luck, boys.

FOUNDRY

by Armand Roberts

The Foundry Personality for this month is William Provost. Bill operates one of the payloader scoop trucks in this Foundry. He is a graduate of Woonsocket High School and Mount St. Charles College. Bill was born in Woonsocket, R. I., on May 5, 1916. He and his wife Katherine make their home in Woonsocket, R. I. Bill has served a total of 12 years in the United States Army. He has served in France, England, Germany and Africa. He lists his hobbies as hunting, fishing and boating.

The following supervisory personnel attended the New England Regional Foundry Conference held at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, October 23 and 24: Raymon F. Meader, Roland A. Hanson, Robert C. Walker, Louis R. Veau, Robert McGee, Frank Shugrue, Robert Hoisington, Joe Checchi, Chester Rymeski, John Holewa.

On the evening of October 28 eight members of the Pattern Loft "Good Time Club" had a dinner at the Bocce Club in Woonsocket, R. I. All had the same comments: The food was good, the beverage cold, and the show exceptional! Attending were: Bernard Chosta, William Galleshaw, Louis Veau, Richard Zibell, Al Boucher, Joseph Godbout, Richard Garabedian and Roland "Curly" Laliberte. . . . The Cupola Gang want to wish a belated "happy birthday" to their buddy, Ralph Guidotte. And they hope to have the pleasure of his presence amongst them for many, many more years to come. . . . We hope that by the time this is published Victor Carpenter will be back

When Leon Rondeau, assistant foreman in Department 405, retired last month he received a purse from his co-workers. John Cunningham, general superintendent, made the presentation. Leon was with Whitin for 22 years before he retired. His many friends wish him years of happiness in his retirement

with us. Vic recently suffered the loss of his thumb in an accident on the Sand-slinger Floor. . . . Congratulations to V. M. "Peggy" Sweeney, Walter Levesque and Oliva Cabana who were presented 10-year pins.

Your reporter had the pleasure of attending the Safety Committee Banquet on the evening of November 12 and enjoyed himself immensely. However, this isn't why I'm writing this. In the line of entertainment we had the pleasure of hearing the Whitin Male Glee Club under the supervision and direction of Mr. Alexander Peloquin. This reporter heard this group for the first time and enjoyed the program so much that I want to tell every one of you who have never heard this group sing, you are missing fine entertainment. Watch your papers for their next appearance which will be heard in the Whitinsville Town Hall around Christmas. Don't miss them!

The Foundry Retirement Committee has no report. There have been no retirements and no collections lately. The total remains $90.59.

All the Foundry supervisory personnel wishes to extend to all of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Members of the Pattern Loft "Good Time Club" enjoying on outing at the Bocce Club in Woonsocket

RING JOB

by Robert E. Balcome

While Robert E. Balcome's name has appeared at the head of this column for the past several months, there has been another name that should be added or given some recognition. Alice Travaille, the Personality of the Month, has been of great assistance in collecting news for this column and typing it. She has been changed to another job in the department recently so that her typing services will have to be dispensed with for the time. Alice was born in Whitinsville between 21 and 31 years ago and graduated from Northbridge High School. She has served as a Nurses' Aid in Whitinsville Hospital and Worcester State Hospital. She has been on the Ring Job for 11 years serving as office clerk most of the time. She lives with her mother on "A" Street and going to the movies is her favorite hobby. At home she reads and knits.

Congratulations to Celia Donaldson on receiving her 10-year service pin. Oh, yes, I was just handed my five-year pin. . . . Alice Dionne and her husband recently took a shopping trip to Worcester, parking their car early while there was space. Starting for home they returned to the parking place to find that there were two cars ahead of theirs. Alice did not notice this but her husband got in his side of the car to drive home and waited for his wife to appear. He discovered she was waiting for him in the end car which belonged to someone else. A little tooting brought her back to her own car. . . . Birthday greetings to Archie Handfield, Al Blanchette and Ed Morel, slightly belated but still good. . . . It's poor policy, I'm told, to write of one's self, but at this writing Airman 1st Class Herbert L. Balcome, my son, formerly of the Erecting Job, has just arrived home having finished his overseas duty in the U.S.A.F. in Newfoundland and Greenland. He is to be stationed at Reno, Nevada, until his length of service is up.

SHEET METAL, PAINT AND CREEL JOBS

by Claude R. Bolduc

Selectman Paul P. Rutana has been awarded a citation for meritorious activities and civic affairs in this community. The award was presented by the Military Order of the Purple Heart of Worcester. . . . Andre Remillard has left the Paint Job for a position on the Woonsocket Fire Department. . . . George Braman has returned to his job after a long leave of absence. . . . After all these years on the Paint Job, Ross Rajotte and Phil Dion recently found out they are cousins.

Peter Kusiak, creel packer, and Walter Wywal, part-time inspector at 452, have served 20 years in the U. S. Navy as chief petty officers. . . . Harold Ingham's wife has returned to her home after undergoing

First grade—Clark School—1915. Front row, from the left: Louis Rutana, Phoebe Saunders, Anno Benoit Rutana, Isabelle Livingstan Cooper, Irma Burke Blizard, Evelyn Flinton Johnsan, Ido Plantingo. Second row: Chester Lamb, Unknown, Mike Palowski, Edward Melia, Francis (Necco) Brown, Arom Pothier, Raymond Watson. Third row: James Haughton, Miss Ruth Lunt, teacher; Raymond Bossett, Homer Pacquin, Huron Tashjian, George Forsythe, Charles Spratt

Dan Hill, left center, is wished good luck in his retirement by Foreman Francis Lowe of Department 446. Dan has 21 years of continuous service at Whitin but has worked here a total of 48 years. He received a purse from his associates

Elaine, eight years old, and Alan, one year and nine months, children of George Jones, with five cock pheasants and two rabbits bagged on opening day by their father, grandfather and cousin Arthur

Ludger Gauthier, a former employee of the Paul Whitin Manufacturing Company, is the Grinder Job Personality of the Month

a serious operation at a Boston Hospital. . . . Lucien Paulhus is going around the countryside taking beautiful pictures with his new camera.

TOOL JOB

by George Jones

Raymond Jorristma (small tools) has just concluded a three weeks' term on the jury. Incidentally, as the SPINDLE goes to press Ray is a candidate for Deacon in the Christian Reform Church. . . . Herman Yongsma, Hertsen Heerdt, Garrit Oppewall and Eugene Lussier have received their 15-year service pins. . . . Anthony DeCarlo (turret lathe) went down to Lincoln Downs to see the nags run but after watching eight races he decided to get an early start for home. It was then that he discovered that he had forgotten where he had parked his car so he had to wait until all the other cars were gone to find his own. . . . Rex Baxendale (cutter grinder) couldn't wait to have the grinder room opened so he crawled through the window and in doing so he got his pants caught on a nail and tore them. Al Milano volunteered to sew them and he did a real good job, but he sewed them to his underwear. . . . Quite a long while ago George Moran (cutter grinding room) borrowed Hollis Booth's electric saw and never returned it, so recently he suggested that George buy it. Moran jokingly pulled out 80 dollars and handed it to Booth. Booth immediately filled out a bill of sale but Moran wouldn't accept it. Moran pleaded and pleaded for his money back, with no success, until he got a headache. Just before quitting time Booth told him he could have his money back if he would get down on his knees and beg for it. What a sight, Moran on his knees begging and all the cutter grinders looking on and laughing. . . . On Monday morning Garrit Oppewall (boring mill) came in wearing a pair of pants he hadn't worn for a long while. The waistline didn't reach his hips and the cuffs were just half way between his knees and his ankles. He was jollied all morning so at noontime he went home and put on another pair that his wife had only washed that morning. These pants were still quite damp. In other words, he threw a shoe party and invited the pants down.

Joseph Rosol (maintenance supervisor) and Willie Larochelle (maintenance) spent an enjoyable but not too successful week deer hunting in Seven Islands, Maine. Willie shot a 110-pound buck. Joe wasn't so fortunate but he said that the food was really

GLEE CLUB TO PRESENT CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Whitin Male Glee Club, conducted by C. Alexander Peloquin, will present a Christmas Concert in the Whitinsville Town Hall on December 21 at eight o'clock.

CONCERT PROGRAM

The Sleigh
How Still and Tiny
The Lord's Prayer
Ye Watchers and
Ye Holy Ones
Pat-A-Pan
The First Nowell
Carol of the Bells
Three Kings
Ave Maria
Lo, How a Rose
Christmas Child
O Tannembaum
God Rest Ye
Upon This Night
O Come, O Come Emmanuel

lelicious. . . Art Barsey had a Chevrolet ut his bass drum wouldn't fit in it so he ought himself a Cadillac. After buying the ew car he found out that the drum was still oo big so he traded in his drum for a size maller. We hope that he tried the new drum n the Cadillac before he bought it. . . . Roy Lermond (small tools) and James Shaw engineering) escorted their children to the Halloween parade hoping the children would njoy themselves, but when the police officer n charge gave Roy and Jimmie each a red lare, the children weren't the only ones appy. According to Maynard Feddema the athers enjoyed the parade more than the oungsters. . . . Douglas Deschene (former epairman and guard-maker) was home on a urlough from the Marine Corps looking nappier than ever. . . . On November 20, im Gellatly (jig-maker) resigned from the Whitin Machine Works. Jim has accepted a anitor's job in the Whitin Gymnasium. Good luck to Jim and let's hope he gets in o visit us once in awhile. We will miss Jim's ood humor and his singing around the Job. . . Edward Baker and Albert Peters small tool makers) spent two weeks in Nova Scotia. Peters went visiting relatives but Ed pent his time hunting and came home with n eight-point buck.

GRINDER JOB

by Virginia Burke

Personality: Ludger Gauthier, who is better known to us all as "Gus," was born in Northbridge, October 14, 1913. He attended he Northbridge schools. He first worked in he Paul Whitin Manufacturing Company, hen came to work at Whitin's in 1940. Gus perates a grinder. The year 1940 was quite n eventful one for him as that also was the ear he was married. He has two sons, Robert and Richard. Gus spends quite a it of his spare time doing trucking. His obbies are baseball and television. His augh is very contagious and he just seems to ubble over. We do enjoy having him on our ob.

One evening the last of October, William Markarian, Raymond Basinet and William uch called on the former foreman of Department 426, George Moran, and presented him ith a purse and the good wishes of the epartment.

We are all feeling a little on the sad side s our timekeeper, Margaret Wilson, is aving us to take up her housekeeping duties. Ve certainly will miss her but wish her the est of luck. Mrs. Dorothy Spencer is taking ver for Margaret and we welcome her and rust she enjoys her stay with us. . . . Our bowling team is not doing so good this ear. Let's give them a little encouragement nd maybe their luck will change. . . . Plans are being made for a Christmas party n the 19th at the Klondike Inn. It will be he first party for the department in a number f years, so hope all will attend. . . . Wedding anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Vallee on their 20th; to Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Luchini on their 40th on November 22; and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Buma, heir 34th on November 17. . . . Ambrose Percy) celebrated his birthday on the 19th. Best wishes for many more.

SPINDLE JOB

by Ed Bates

Personality: Thomas J. Jackman, born in Millville, is another 20-year man with Whitin and a graduate of Woonsocket Commercial School. His first job was bookkeeping for H. F. King Company in Woonsocket. He came to Whitin Machine Works in October, 1933, as a time clerk on the Bolster Job. During the period he was a time clerk, he also worked in other departments in the Shop. Tom is now a finish straightener on spindles, a job he particularly enjoys. Tom, his wife Rose, and son Thomas, Jr., spend their summer months at their cottage at Lake Pascoag in Rhode Island. In addition to working at Whitin, Tom also is the Collector of Taxes in Millville, a job he has held since 1944. His hobbies are baseball and swimming.

A short while ago, John VanDyke traded in his Nash for a '51 Ford. . . . Joe Peltier has returned after a leave of absence. . . . Roy Swanson, planner on Department 439 and also Department 448, has returned following an appendectomy operation. . . . Elvira Jacques received her 10-year pin in November. Kenneth Macomber received his 15-year pin also.

SPINNING, CARD ERECTING AND POLISHING

by Francis Horan

Harry Cornell along with a group of friends from other departments attended the Notre Dame–Penn. game in Philadelphia. Harry came home to find himself the winner of a small sum of money in a local community pool. Must have looked small compared to what one member of the party picked up on a street in New York with no strings attached. However, Harry said, "I'm satisfied." . . . Celebrating wedding anniversaries in November were Henry Barnett, Tony Iannitelli, Michael Feen and Rapisardi Bosco. . . . Birthdays in November—Dave Picard, Sr., Alex McFarland, Pete Andonian, Howard Heald and William Beaudoin.

Jack Walker, Yankee rooter, is so convinced that his television set is the best, he actually believed the ball landed in his lap when the *great* (?) Yogi Berra fouled one off in the last series. . . . Oskar Mayr ran into that first bad wind and snowstorm on the Merritt Parkway while on his way to visit a cousin in Morristown, New Jersey. He finally made it in twice the time it ordinarily takes. He hadn't seen his relative, now visiting this country as a representative studying U. S. conditions, in 40 years.

Jim McTeer, who was awarded the scroll signed by Leo Egan of the WBZ-TV staff, gets a great kick out of picking the football games. He loves to watch and read about all the college games and has for two years had an outstanding record of selections. . . . After reading advertisements and listening to some of our representatives who came back from shows in Europe and others in the Far East, let us buy American made goods made by and with American labor. . . . Merry Christmas to all!

Tom Jackman, a graduate of Hill College, is the Spindle Job Personality this month

Albert Cupka, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cupka, is majoring in chemical engineering at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C. Recently he was appointed a second lieutenant in the Air Force ROTC

Attention, Foundry fishermen! John B. Zizileuskas, Jr., caught this 7½ pound bass in the Meadow Pond on Labor Day. John's father is the operator of the large Herman Crane in the Foundry

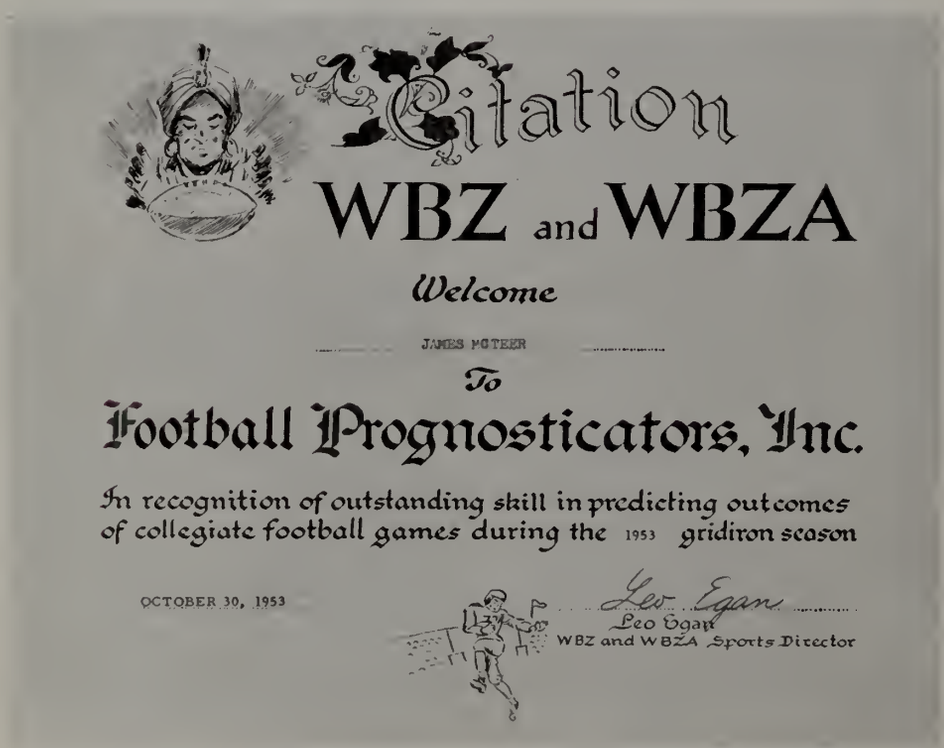
John McAulay, Yard Office, received a check from fellow employees when he retired last month after 30 years at the Whitin Machine Works

PICKERS, SPINNING AND SYNTHETIC SMALL PARTS

by Syd Miedema

Our congratulations to Hector Sauve, who received his 15-year service pin from Divisional Superintendent Robert Stewart. We hope you continue here for many years. . . . Birthday greetings for the month of December go to Gabriel Carpentier, Arthur Chabot, Oskar Mayr, Victor Marin, Raymond Bradley and Edward Rattie. A happy birthday to all. . . . James McTeer was the winner of a turkey when his number was drawn at the Carter's Post A. L. Hall, Douglas. We all know Jim has a soft spot for others, but when he told the Legion to give the turkey to some needy family in Douglas, I'm sure we will all agree that was just wonderful.

Clarence Peterson, our planner at Department 421, has purchased the duplex dwelling in Millville in which he and the family have been living for the past 13 years. In event of a flood, Clarence will never need worry, as the location is as safe as Gibralter. . . . We welcome back to the Picker Erecting Floor, James McTeer, Walter Philbrook and John Skeary.



Jim McTeer, of the Picker Jab, received this citatian fram Statian WBZ in recagnitian af his ability ta predict the final outcome of faatball games

MAINTENANCE

by Bill Scanlon and Milton Crossland

Raymond DeJordy has been transferred to Charlie Common's department. . . . George Lantagne has been added to the Garage repair force. . . . "Chick" Farrand is making preparations for a trip to Arlington, Virginia. . . . Harold Buxton is back after a week's vacation.

The members of the Hook and Ladder Company and their wives held their annual banquet November 24 at the Colonial Inn at Webster. That same evening Mr. and Mrs. Erle Simmons celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Simmons received a bouquet of fall flowers from the firemen. George Williamson made the presentation. After a delightful dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Frieswyck gave an exhibition of wooden shoe dancing as it is done in Holland; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Bisson gave an exhibition of magic; Dick Garabedian gave an interesting talk on the duties of a baseball umpire; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lawton and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Trembly gave a few lessons in playing crib; Everett Gasper gave a very interesting talk on the danger of an improperly wired oil burner; Mr. and Mrs. George Williamson sang Scotch songs. All in all it was a very enjoyable evening. At the time of this writing the Hook and Ladder Company are planning a Christmas party.

TIN CYLINDERS

by Wilbur Baird

After five years of service in Department 450, Mrs. Dorothy Spencer was transferred to the main plant. The members of this department gave her a pen and pencil set which was presented by Alan Blizard, the foreman. We all wish her good luck at her new job. . . . Carl Hendrickson has joined the ranks of unemployment due to

working conditions. We hope to see Carl back again soon. . . . Birthday greetings go to Carl Bosma, Harry Malkasian and Al Blizard. . . . Edward Jones and Tony Campo, Jr., received their 10-year service pins in November. . . . Pfc. Carl Nyquist, former member of Department 450 Inspection, recently paid a visit to this department. On November 24, he left this country for a tour of duty in Germany.

The members of Department 450 wish all fellow workers as well as the former employees

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

GENERAL MACHINING

by Jim Magowan and Ken Harrington

Well, Father Time really slipped passed us and we find ourselves face to face with Christmas once again. On behalf of my co-writer, Ken, I wish to extend to each and every one connected with this department, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Birthday wishes to Mrs. Mary Paul. . . . Anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. R. Girard.

Bowling—what a great pastime for the winners. In this case it happens to be the "WHEELS"—who are not enjoying a lucky—"six to one" margin over the "TURRETS." To the amazement of everyone, and probably to himself, Pete "Sleeper" Babovitch has been pulling the "WHEELS" through with great consistency. There is one question we would like to know on behalf of the "TURRETS." Do they have "farm teams" for bowlers?

We welcome back Douwe Fekkes who has just returned from a visit to his homeland, Holland. . . . The new way of catching fish was told to us this way. You go at night with a short line and flashlight. You drop the line in the brook and when the fish comes for it, you blind him with the flashlight then grab him with your hands.

Bernord Show, supervisor, recently was promoted to assistant foreman of Deportment 405. He was honored by members of the Inspection Office, Department 405, at a farewell dinner at the Meadows in Framingham, September 24. From the left: Mrs. Bernard Show, Mr. and Mrs. Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Usher, Betty Bolivar, Robert Jordan, Mr. ond Mrs. Ralph Hanny, and Bernord Shaw

CHUCK JOB

by Dot Antoian

We extend get-well wishes to Pete Ledoux who suffered a heart attack and was at Worcester Memorial Hospital for several days. Pete is now resting at home and is feeling much better. The crib looks mighty strange without you there to take care of things, Pete, so get well and hurry back. . . . A belated farewell is sent to Peggy Mills who has been transferred to Department 448. We all miss you, Peg, and hope you like your new surroundings. . . . Len Hinchcliffe has taken over the duties of planner, stock clerk, and time clerk, and with all this added work, still maintains that wonderful outlook of his.

"Cookie" Barnes, well-known caller of square dances, came out of retirement recently. "Cookie" called at a dance in Douglas, and is calling for a series of dances at the St. Mary's Social Center in Uxbridge. "Cookie" is not only calling the dances, but is also teaching these young "Junior Highers" *how* to square dance. From all reports, these youngsters couldn't have found a better instructor. . . . Birthday greetings to Joe Grignon who celebrated on November 27. . . . The annual Whitin Machine Works safety banquet was held at the cafeteria on November 12, and this department was represented by Rose Onanian, "Cookie" Barnes and Norman Spratt. The meal was enjoyed by all.

May each of you have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Andrew Romanis, Department 466 (Structural Iron) retired in October after accumulating 30 years of service in the Whitin Machine Works. Andrew, shown between Mr. P. B. Walker ond Foreman William Scott, received o gift from fellow workers

Pfc. Sidney Zuidema, Jr., son of Sidney Zuidema, Sr., of the Cast Iron Room, is now in Japan serving with the 3rd Marine Task Force, a combat unit

BOLSTER JOB

by Charles Kheboian

The Bolster Job has always been blessed with some good bowlers and this year is no exception. Harold Flinton, Al Houle and Bizar Hagopian are three that represent us in different leagues. Al Houle recently bowled a 136 and on this basis he challenged Harold Flinton to a match. . . . With the opening of the hunting season two of the Job's best hunters, Arnold Manning and Tony DeStefanis, bagged a partridge and rabbit respectively. Tony says that his big ambition is to get the big rabbit that he always sees but that keeps getting away. . . . Al Girouard and his son Al, Jr., who incidentally is a very good hockey player, tried out the new ice skating arena in Worcester. Although Al, Sr., wouldn't admit it to his son, he was pretty stiff and sore from his experience. . . . That satisfied look on Charles Kheboian's face is due to the fact that Harold Flinton finally brought in the cigar he had promised him for a month. Charlie understood why it took so long in arriving when he saw the cigar, it was an overland.

Bob Cochrane is a singer of no mean capacity. He can sing in French, Polish, Irish and Armenian. Joe Dempsey can verify this for he understands these languages and sometimes interprets these songs for Archie Gigarjian who listens intently. . . . On the last Armistice Day I inquired about Ed Bibeau and Ed Rumse and found that they were veterans of World War I. Ed Rumse held the rank of lieutenant. . . . Al Houle was recently chairman of the 18th Annual Banquet of the North Uxbridge Progressive Club.

Leo Bouley is another in our department who recently purchased a new car. Leo now owns a 1953 Mercury. . . . We wish to welcome back Margaret Asadoorian who has returned after a short illness, and we wish Al Houle a quick recovery. He has been out quite awhile.

At this time I wish to extend to one and all the Merriest Christmas and the Happiest of New Year's.

WOOD PATTERNS

by Vera Taylor

This is the banner month for birthdays. Among the celebrants on Department 401 are: Pat McGovern, Archie Fournier, Julian Masson, Armand Cournoyer, Joe Chenette and Ernest Kroll. Many happy returns all of you in the holiday season. . . . Eddie Plante paid us a visit prior to his leaving for Tokyo. Eddie worked with us for a couple of years and hopes to come back eventually after his hitch in the Army. He is in the Medical Corps. . . . With Thanksgiving behind us and Christmas about to rear its shining countenance, the festive season is here. We hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and makes a few resolutions to supply more and better news in the coming year. We started off with a bang in 1953 but the news has dwindled painfully. Surely everyone can't be hibernating for the winter. What's doing?

Personality of the Month: James Ferguson was born May 17, 1905, in Whitinsville. He attended public schools until 1921 when he served three years' apprenticeship as a cabinetmaker in the Carpenter Shop of the Whitin Machine Works. He worked there until 1930 when he was laid off due to lack of work. After this he worked in Maine for about a year and then at Pine Grove Cemetery, until he came to work in Department 401 on the paint bench May 1, 1933. He is now a pattern-maker and in charge of maintenance of tools. He married Helen Smith on October 12, 1935. They live on Summit Street with their two children, a boy and a girl and Jimmy's mother. Two dogs, a cat and a canary round out the household. Among his hobbies Jimmy lists hunting and fishing. He is a member of the Whitin Male Glee Club. He is active in the United Presbyterian Church, being an elder and the teacher of the Mr. and Mrs. Class.

METAL PATTERNS

by Bill Prior

Harold Oakes spent a week in the Whitinsville Hospital. Glad to see he is fully recovered and back to work. . . . We welcome Edgar Scott, apprentice pattern-maker. . . . John Sohigian is absent because of illness. The boys all wish him a speedy recovery. . . . Bill Germain has been out sick for seven weeks. We all wish him a quick recovery. . . . Gerritt Dykstra finished two weeks of jury duty in Worcester. . . . Earl Burroughs was our first hunting casualty. He had his foot shot. He was in the Woonsocket Hospital. . . . Louis Stimpson has become a merchant. He took over a tile business on Church Street, Whitinsville. Hope this little plug means business, Louie. All you home owners keep him in mind.

Personality: Bart Shugrue has worked seven years in this department as a pattern-maker. He has been in the plant for 13 years. He worked in the Drawing Department,

We've heard about Joe Swiszcz's prize-winning goats, now we have a picture of them

under Mr. Keyes, before coming to 402. He was born in Cambridge in 1906 and came to Whitinsville in 1921. He married the former Grace White of this town and is the father of seven children—five boys and two girls. Bart is an ardent Red Sox rooter; also a collector of old coins.

POWER HOUSE

by Malcolm A. Richardson

Did you know that the Shop has a boiler three stories high, carries a steam pressure of 450 pounds and can make a steam temperature as high as 750°F. . . . One of our young firemen, Roland Young, has moved his family to New Village. Roland formally lived in Sutton. . . . Burt Baird has been working very hard for his new bride of a year. Burt has been building a new home in the Northbridge Center vicinity. . . . Charlie Minor, our mechanic, had quite an experience this fall. While drilling a well in his back yard the drill got wedged 120 feet down and the cable snapped. He must have had a difficult time fishing out the drill.

MILLING JOB

by Arthur Leclaire

Birthday wishes to M. Omar, Frank Michalski, Russell Palmer, Noel Arel, Stephen Bombara, Max Goyette, Robert Wright, George Dawe and Carol Tosoonian. . . . A Halloween party was held at the Hilltop by members of the department and judging by reports everyone had a wonderful time.

PAYROLL COMPUTATION, TABULATING, BUDGETS, STATEMENTS AND OFFICE TIMEKEEPING

by Phyllis McQuilkin

Birthday wishes this month go to Edith Allen, Shirley Hinchliffe and Bill Hall. . . . Wedding congratulations to Virginia Wood and hubby, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bailey and Mr. and Mrs. William Baird. . . . Congratulations to Kathy Reeves on receiving her five-year pin and Barbara Siepietowski who received her 10-year pin. Good work girls. . . . To Eva Lundberg, formerly of England, who recently became a citizen

we extend our congratulations and sincerely hope that you always enjoy living in the good old U.S.A.

We welcome back Ruth Kellaher who has been on leave of absence for the past seven weeks. Payroll didn't seem the same without you, Kel. . . . We were also happy to see Victoria Roy back after a two-week bout with a cold. . . . Shirley Hinchliffe has returned to work after a quick recovery from an operation. Nice to see you back looking so well. . . We bid farewell to Margaret Crosby who has left to await a visit from the "stork." Edith Bishop held a shower for Margaret, November 19, and all the girls from Payroll attended. Margaret was quite pleased with all the lovely gifts that she received. It has been a pleasure knowing you and working with you, Margaret. . . . The three "globe trotters"—Irene Marteka, Joan Jasmin and Nancy Todd—made a trip to Boston to do a little Christmas shopping. From all reports it was quite successful. . . . Have you noticed a peculiar odor while walking past the Tab Department? It seems as though the wires on one of the machines burned out. Well, that's the way it is when you have such fast operators.

Great scientists may have discovered the Atom and Hydrogen Bomb but the Tab Department deserves all the credit for the Thermo *Bomb*. One of the girls brought in a thermos bottle with ice in it—everyone was working furiously when all of a sudden—boom!—everyone scampered. Nothing to worry about, people, just the thermos hitting the ceiling. Guess the temperature of the room and that of the thermos didn't see eye to eye.

The months have flown by and now Christmas is here. Thus, I would like to wish you all a very happy holiday and hope that the new year may bring you contentment in everything that you may do.

Lou Turner, son of George Turner, Production Department, is the star halfback on the Dartmouth College football team

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

by Tad Wallace and Dorsey Devlin

This month we are featuring an article on Lou Turner, star halfback on the Dartmouth College football team.

Lou worked in the Production Department during the summer of 1951 in both No. 5 and No. 9 storerooms and is the son of George Turner of the Production Department.

Lou starred in Westboro High School athletics for four years. He played basketball, baseball and football. In 1951, he was co-captain of football and basketball.

He was a defensive player last season under the two platoon system but was used sparingly in running assignments. This year, under the new rules, he has become a two-way star with a rushing average of six yards a try. Many fans from this vicinity saw him on the Telecast of the Holy Cross–Dartmouth clash in which he gave a good performance. He has scored touchdowns against Colgate and Cornell, and had his best day scoring twice on long runs in Dartmouth's upset over Yale.

Lou was regarded as an outstanding student in high school serving as president and treasurer on the Student Council, and was a member of the Science Club, The National Honor Society, and was Good Government Representative for two years.

He was the valedictorian of his class and took part in the activities of the young people of the First Methodist Church. At college he is an officer in the Christian Union and is a member of the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity.

On the sick list with best wishes for a speedy return are Jim Clarke, Mrs. Exilda Walker, Harold Whitehead and Ann McCann. . . . Joseph O'Shea, who left us on November 13, was presented with a pen and pencil set by Harvey Deslauriers, who represented the office group. . . . Louie Duggan made a successful deer hunting trip to the wilds of Nova Scotia bringing back a 150-pound (lucky) buck. . . . Ernie Roberti and Alta Campbell have left us due to the lack of orders at the present time. . . . Bridget Wawrzkiewicz, Ruth Magill and Joe Mercak were recent recipients of 10-year pins and Eddie Allega of a five-year pin. . . . Shirley Benjamin was in charge of the costume Halloween party that the department held at the Hilltop Inn. First prize went to Nellie Parker and Harry Newton while Betty Zac and Andy Magill were runners-up.

Plans have been completed for the annual Production Department Christmas party. The committee in charge this year is Marge Newton, Diane Gautreau, Frances Gonsorcik, Dick Walker, Jack Gilchrist and Tad Wallace with Bill Lavallee serving very capably as treasurer. The party will be held again this year at the Sokol Club in East Douglas and will as usual comprise a catered dinner, entertainment and dancing to Johnny Witek's Orchestra. There is still time for anyone who desires to go and had not yet made reservations. Just contact some member of the committee and they will accept your reservations. If last year's party can be used as a barometer, this one should really be a gala affair. Don't miss it; you'll have much fun.

Each year at the time of the Holy Cross–Boston College football game we start to be concerned over one of our reporters; however I am assured that Dorsey (I got a piece of the goal posts) Devlin will be accompanied by his wife Laura (I protected him last year) so we can expect Dorsey home intact again this year. . . . Our bowling(?) team has found it a little rough going, and although they have not yet told us what place they hold in the standing, by a bit of simple arithmetic we find that there are 14 teams in the league and roughly 12 of these teams are leading our alleged "keglers." Manager Jack Gilchrist told us that the club is a slow starter and we can look for improvement soon, that can mean before April some time. Andy Magill and Jackie hold a post mortem each Thursday morning and discuss strategy for the next match. I suggest they start discussing bowling soon if we are ever going to get a trophy to go with the softball award. Andy Magill, who was signed to more or less hold this club together, apparently is not using a good brand of Scotch tape. In fact Andy claims they are substituting marbles for bowling balls on some of the alleys and by looking at his score a couple weeks ago I am inclined to agree with him.

Your reporters wish to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

REPAIR SALES DEPARTMENT

by Joyce Rondeau

Agnes Spratt is back after a leave of absence. . . . Edna L'Esperance was hostess to the girls of the Processing Department at a spaghetti dinner cooked by her husband Norman. Norman's specialty is Italian spaghetti! . . . Last month Dick Rawlinson won the 2nd flight of the Fall Tournament at the Whitinsville Golf Club. He also got an eagle on the sixth hole, a very rare feat. Congratulations, Dick. . . . Jim Marshall recently got a shower out on the Roll Job.

Not a who-dun-it but a who-is-it

MYSTERY PHOTO—William Forland, assistant foreman of Foundry Maintenance, was the Photo Mystery in November. On the right, is a former member of the Connecticut National Guard. Who is he?

Jim was watching a new machine being brought into the Shop. He accidentally leaned on a button used to put out fires and was soaked with water. . . . Orrin Austin is a very considerate fellow. He has a coal furnace which was on the verge of going out at 3 a.m. one cold morning, but Orrin wouldn't shovel coal for fear of waking his neighbors. . . . Happy birthday this month to Herb Lightbown and Harry Drinkwater. . . . Congratulations to Betty Mombourquette on her 10th wedding anniversary.

JOHN F. SLOAN RECEIVES AWARD FROM LINCOLN FOUNDATION

John F. Sloan, welding engineer, received an award of $179 in the recent National Award Program for Welded Machine Designs sponsored by the James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation of Cleveland, Ohio.

The award was one of 77 made by the Lincoln Foundation to engineers and designers in all parts of the country, in its $30,000 Mechanical Design Award Program. Awards were made for descriptions of the design and fabrication of welded steel machines and components. The program was sponsored, according to Dr. E. E. Dreese, chairman of the Foundation, to encourage industrial and economic progress through modernizing machine design for arc welded steel fabrication.

METHODS DEPARTMENT

by Jean Cunningham

We are very glad to welcome back Ben Musket who was out ill for quite some time. . . . We hope at this reading Gunner Carlson also will be back as he has been hospitalized for quite some time. . . . Frank Budnick has finally come down from his perch on top of the hill near his home. Frank's well went dry and took quite a time to replenish itself with water. . . . Joe Smolinski has decided Friday the 13th is just what superstition says it is. While getting a haircut on that day some other driver was kind enough to jam the fender of Joe's car and didn't stop to explain it. You claim it was an expensive day, Joe, but think of the experience you got and also what's going to happen to the other fella, if you ever catch him. . . . Congratulations to Simon "Tippy" Wiersma and Mrs. Wiersma on their 22nd wedding anniversary. "Tippy" and his wife went to Chicago and to Grand Rapids, Michigan, where they visited their son who is going to college there. . . . A Christmas party was held at the Riverside A. C. for the office help and their friends on December 3. Chicken, steak, and turkey dinners were enjoyed by all. We had a wonderful time and those who couldn't make it sure missed a lot of fun.

"Home is the hunter, home from the hill" is the cry around the office right now, since Jack Lalor returned from a hunting trip to Canada with two great big deer to his credit. It was really delicious meat, too. Hope you get a chance to go next year, Jack. . . . The men in the office share the birthday cake and congratulations this month. Many happy returns to David Gray, Henry Pariseau and Albert Brouwer. . . . A happy wedding anniversary to Charlie Walker and Mrs. Walker. They are celebrating their 26th anniversary. . . . Has anyone noticed Bill Neulieb lately? Bill is on a very strict diet of soups, salads and all soft foods, but it hasn't bothered his figure at all.

MAIN OFFICE

by Gloria Marshall

We'll open this month's column by congratulating Florence Tupper and her husband, who recently won a set of the Encyclopaedia Britannica which is the prize awarded by the "Down You Go" T.V. program to anyone who sends in a winning entry used on the show. Florence and her husband have sent in many different entries, but they were not listening to the show on the "lucky day" and so they do not know which entry took the prize. . . . Our warmest welcome to Florence Marshall who is now working in the Foreign Department. . . . On November 12, 16 members of the Main Office Ten Cents a Week Club enjoyed a pleasant evening at the Dreyfus Lounge in Woonsocket. The party was held in honor of Anne Hammond, Stacia Susienka, Evelyn McNamara, Marlene Willard, Betty Bonaventura and Virginia Burke. Everyone had a grand time. The Mexican Hat Dance nearly finished a couple of the girls and Gloria Frabotta and May Hutcheson did get sort of tangled up in a tango but there were no broken bones—just a few aches and pains! Oh yes, the food was simply deee-licious!!!

Plans are now under way for this year's Christmas party which is also to be held at the Dreyfus Lounge. The date is set for December 11 and everyone should have a wonderful time. I don't know if anyone will have the energy to do any dancing when they finish one of those nice juicy steaks or good-sized lobsters. Hm, my mouth is watering already. . . . Should we light birthday or Christmas candles this month? Well anyway, happy birthday and many more to Sarah Healy, Christine Bosma, Eleanor Spratt, Florence Baldwin, Clayton Cleverly, Roy Rollins and E. Kent Swift, Sr. I might wish myself one, too. Those who are celebrating their wedding anniversaries this month are—Gertrude and Raymond Barlow and Marjorie and Tom McCallum. Congratulations. . . . December is nearly over and Christmas will soon be here. Today the first things that come to mind when we hear the word Christmas, are the gayly colored trees, nicely wrapped gifts, shopping, the dinner and the many parties which will usher in the holiday season. Christmas means something special to each of us, but no matter what it means or how we celebrate, let's not forget to keep Christ in Christmas.

My thanks to all of you for your help in keeping this column going during the past year. This column can't keep going without the help of each and every one of you and I do appreciate the way you have kept me informed on what goes on in the office. I just put down the things that you tell me and before I know it there is the column. Thank again, and may you all have a very

MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND A WONDERFUL AND PROSPEROUS

NEW YEAR

KEEP THE NEWS COMING IN 1954

MASTER LIST DEPARTMENT

by R. W. Yeo

Personality of the Month: Rita Baillargeon. Rita lives with her parents at 12 Fletcher Street in Whitinsville. After attending Northbridge schools, she came to Whitin Machine Works as an inspector in 1938. Rita worked for Harry Drinkwater until 1942 when she became an instructor of coil winding which was defense work. After two years on this job, Rita decided to enter our Armed Forces. She joined the Army Women's Air Corps as a photo lab technician until her honorable discharge as a private first class in 1945.

Shortly thereafter, Rita returned to the Whitin Machine Works in her present position as proofreader in our Printing Department.

She has four sisters and one brother; her brother Arthur works on the Roll Job and one of her sisters, Claire, also works in our Printing Department. Rita's father has been with Whitin Machine Works for a total of 48 years and presently is working on the Comber Job.

Rita's outside interests are varied. She likes sports, knitting, sewing, and needle point and is presently engaged in taking a course in tray painting at the evening classes at Northbridge High School.

This month Rita will receive her 15-year pin. All of us wish to congratulate her and wish her continued success.

Birthday greetings to Ray Tebeau and "Tip" O'Neil. . . . Anniversary wishes to Pete and Ann Buma. . . . Ray Meader, formerly of Master List and his wife Elaine recently were the proud parents of a baby girl—their third (all girls).

WAGE STANDARDS

by John Romasco

Members of the office held a party at the Twin Crest Club in Worcester for Walter Peters who has left to accept a position in Gardner. With Lee Watson at the piano, John Romasco rendered a solo and for fun an octette was formed between our party and a party of girls at another table which was really something to hear. Any resemblance to the actual was purely coincidental. . . . Frank Martin has left to accept a position in Worcester, and we wish him success in his new work. . . . Casualty Department: Marilyn Blair was recently injurs de combat when while practicing basketball at the "gym" she wrenched her ankle. The cause according to Marilyn was due to "pulling up" too fast. A badly swollen ankle resulted but at this writing like a real trouper she is still carrying on.

Harry Simonian, Chester Inman, Jacob Oppewall and Ronnie King have temporarily been transferred to the foundry division to work in the Core Room. . . . Our annual Christmas party was held at the Colonial Club in Webster December 9 and we will have more to report about the party in next month's edition. . . . Birthday greetings to Francis Fleener, Jacob Oppewall, Carl Porter and Lennie Skerry.

I extend a very Merry Christmas to one and all and may your day be filled with joy and happiness.

COST DEPARTMENT

by Dick Hanny and Cleve Reynolds

Welcome mat is out for Larry Sarafian, a former expediter, Lois Blakely and Marion Metcalf, former time clerks. . . . Leroy Benner received his 20-year pin October 20. . . . Anne Wojtalik joins the "53 Club" with a Ford ranch wagon. Teddy immediately took off for Nova Scotia for a two-week hunting trip and returned with his quota of "four-legged" deer. . . . Cars new to them: Felix Richards, '53 Dodge; Roland Farrar, '47 Kaiser; Gus Ayotte, '49 Plymouth. . . . A weekly discussion period at Clark University, sponsored by the National Association of Cost Accountants, entitled "Fixed Asset Accounting—Today's Handling of Tomorrow's Cost" was attended by Howard Anderson, John Chatty, Ray Colby, Ken Crossman, Norman Deragon, Cal Hubbard and Cleve Reynolds. On December 7, a steak dinner at Putnam and Thurston's concluded the course. . . . John Chatty, our TV personality, attended a series of classes conducted by WJAR-TV personnel and sponsored by the Rhode Island Junior Chamber of Commerce. . . . Congratulations to Ted Fronczak on his suggestion award.

Birthdays: Roscoe Knight, Simone Grenier, Joe Krol, Leo Imondi, Al Destrempes, Cleve Reynolds, Lillian Kollett, James Shaw and Gus Ayotte.

Wedding Anniversaries: Oscar and Mrs. Erickson, their 17th; Ken and Mrs. Crossman, their 22nd; Henry and Mrs. Lawton, their 17th; Ann and Ted Wojtalik, their 10th; Howard and Mrs. Anderson, their eighth; Joe and Mrs. Krol, their fourth; Gordon and Mrs. Curtis, their second; Don and Mrs. Rae, their second.

To Mr. Arthur Pellerin, Department 433, and Mrs. Pellerin, a son, Richard Edward, 8 pounds 2 ounces in Woonsocket Hospital on November 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rabitor, a daughter, Marcia Ann, weighing 7½ pounds, at the Whitinsville Hospital on November 5.

To John Halacy, Department 413, and Mrs. Halacy, a daughter, at the Whitinsville Hospital, November 18.

To Lewis O. Boulay, Department 439, and Mrs. Boulay, a son, Russell Normand, 7 pounds 9 ounces, October 17.

To Norman Magowan, Tool Job, and Mrs. Magowan, a son, Norman, Jr., weight 6 pounds 4 ounces, at Whitinsville Hospital, November 19.

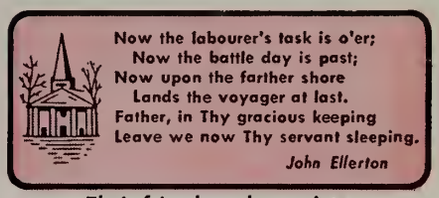
Nancy Todd, of the Tabulating Department, engaged to Airman 3rd Class Henry Larochelle.

Anne Hammond married to Norman Labelle on November 28 at St. Peter's Church in Northbridge.

Edward Vadenais, Department 429, married to Muriel Belhumer at Notre Dame Church, Woonsocket, R. I.

Gerard Levitre, Department 429, engaged to Shirley Kane of Woonsocket, R. I.

Irene Woleck, Production Department, married to Lester E. Michalik, in St. Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Woonsacket, R. I., September 26



Their friends and associates extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved

Lucien Desrochers, Department 402, on the death of his father November 3.

To the Hanny family on the death of Mrs. Irwin Hanny, Sr., on October 6.

Zarius Forget and family on the death of Mrs. Marion Forget.

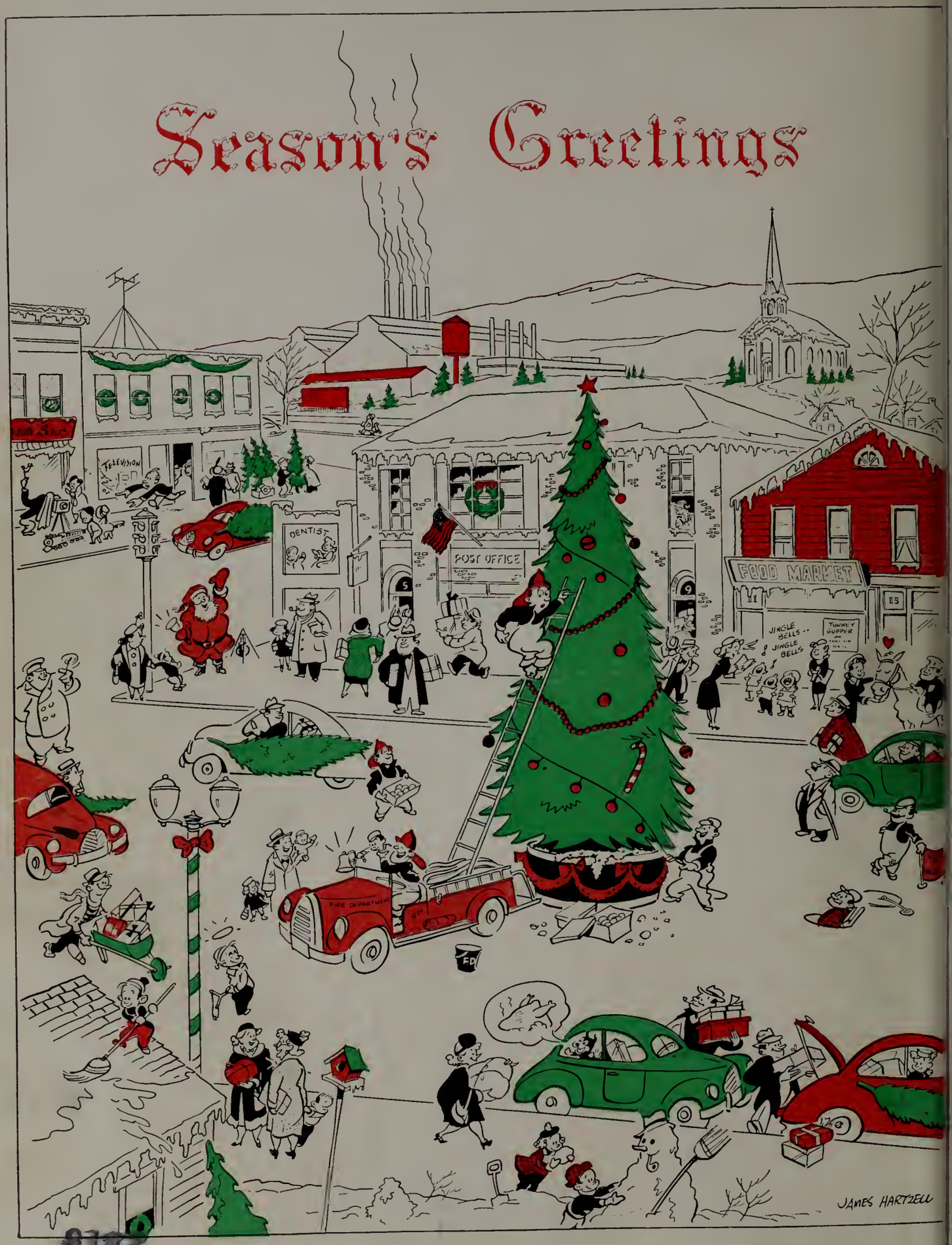
William Hodson on the recent death of his mother.

Alfred Vallee, Department 426, on the death of his father.

Frank Greene, Department 424, on the death of his mother.

Survivors of Sarkis Asadoorian, who died November 21. Sarkis was employed as a molder for 43 years. Prior to his retirement he worked on the Tin Job.

Season's Greetings



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